THE SACRIFICE OF A CHRI-*stian Soule*

Conteining godlie prayers, *and holy* [illegible] *for sundry* purposes. [illegible] of *the* [illegible]

PSAL. [illegible]

The sacrifices of God, are a contrite spirit: a [illegible] and a broken heart, O God, thou wilt not [illegible]

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TO THE HONO-

rable, noble, and potent *Lorde, Iohn, Lorde Thirl-*ſtane, great Chancel-*lor of Scotland:*

And

TO THE NOBLE, VER-tuous, and godly Lady, Dame *Iane Flemeng, Ladie Thirlſtane* his wife: grace and peace in Chriſt Ieſus.

IF any man (R. Honorable) ſhall enter into the cõſideration of the great prophanes of this age, beſides the other infinite ſinnes raigning therein, it muſt needs be confeſſed, that

it is the duty of euery christian, not only to amend his owne sins and euil waies, but also to labor according vnto his place and calling, to redresse the great enormities which beare sway in the most without controlment. And as the Lord requireth this duty at the handes of all men, so doeth he especially exact the same of them, whome hee hath promoted aboue others. Of whome, in the day of his strict account, hee will demaunde a straight reckoning of their behauiour in the vse of those blessinges which vppon earth hee hath lent vnto them. And according as they shal be found to haue bestowed their dignities and promotions, in the ho-

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noring of his great name, both in themſelues and in others, ſo ſhall they find his Maieſty fauourable vnto them: Whereas on the otherſide, if in this life they ſhall regard his glory, but with a contemptuous or careles eie (as though their indeuours were to be otherwiſe imploied, than in yeelding homage vnto the Lord of all the world) they may bee fully aſſured, that the Lord God wil behold thē with the countenance of his anger & wrath, when they ſhal ſtand in moſt need of his mercie and fauour. And becauſe no honour or ſeruice is acceptable vnto his maieſty, but that which proceedeth frō an hart ſyncerely affected vnto his glory: & that he,

in his infinit wisdome, hath appointed praier, to be one of the meanes to trayne vp the heart in a farther reuerence, feare, & obedience of his high & fearfull name: Therfore haue those labors of the godly, bene at all times of great estimatiō & account, which haue bin bestowed in the edificatiō of the Church, touching this duety of praier. The which being an exercise of faith & repentāce, proceeding from both (but the mother of neither, as some haue falsly giuen out) is so commended vnto vs in Gods woord, that to contemn the same (as it is the manner of the most) is made by the spirit of God, to be an assurance of no other inheritance, than of

contempt of praier.

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eternall perdition. For the caſe is out of all controuerſie with the holy Apoſtle, that none ſhal be ſaued, ſaue only they, who call vpon the name of the Lord, & that from an heart inlightened by faith. And as this voice, in trueth, is only heard from mount Sion, and not els where: (For as to the hilles of the nations, it may be, that by hear-ſay they haue heard of it, but what it meaneth they know not) So whoſoeuer they be, that in Sion are not acquainted with this holie dutie, it is apparant, that they are but Iſraelites according vnto the fleſh. Becauſe, that as many as haue ſeene him, who is inuiſible, can not chooſe, but day and night, ac-

Rom. 10. 13. Act. 2. 21.

according vnto their measure
of fayth and feeling, be desirous
to haue accesse vnto their God,
by the mediation of the Lord of
life, Iesus Christ, in acquain-
ting his Mviestie with their
suites by prayer. The absence
whereof, sheweth want of faith
and want of feeling. For he
shee, that neuer had a feeling
heart to pray, had neuer an
feeling heart to beleeue. And
is questionlesse, that they,
whome their feeling in praier
is decayed, haue also the feeling
of their faith greatly withered
Negligence in praier. *and that they who neglect the*
growth and continuance
their feeling in praier, doo al-
denie vnto themselues, a great
support of the strength &

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inuance of their fayth.

Nowe, for asmuch as this ooke contayneth some helpes hat way vnto the simple & vn eperieced: therfore I thought not vnmeet (comming into y handes by Gods prouidece) be published for the vse of ch, as it might any wise fur- er in true godlines. And be- use I find my selfe, in regard speciall fauour receiued at th your hands, highly bound nto both your Honors, & for hat cause, by duty enforced to anifest my thankfulnesse in me sort. I did therfore embol- en my selfe, to publish this all Treatise vnder your ames. As for many respectes, especially, to the end, that

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at the leaſt, I might make it knowne vnto the world, that your Honors are of their nũber, vnto whome eſpeciallie in this kingdom, next vnto the Kings maieſty, I doo acknowledge my ſelfe greatly indebted.

I am loth to encomber your Honors with many words, this one thing I craue, namely, that as it hath pleaſed you to beſtow your fauour vpon me, ſo you would vouchſafe to receiue this teſtimony of my thankfulneſſe, as proceeding from him, who wiſheth your permanent and eternall good in Chriſte Ieſus: vnto whoſe bleſſed and mighty protection, I betake you and your eſtate euer.

Your Honors moſt bounden

R. W.

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tance of Gods holy Spirit, that we *may pray with a feeling.*

O Eternall GOD, Father of our LORDE Iesus CHRIST, in as muche as it is thy good will & pleasure, that in all our neces-ties, [a] we shuld cal vpon thee ur good and gratious God: orshippe thee, and yeeld all raise and hearty thankes vn- thy holy name; and there- ithal hast [b] promised to hear ur petitions: wee are there- re emboldned to direct our raiers vnto thy diuine Ma- stie. But considering the eakenes of our nature to be ch, that we know not [c] how

a Psal.

b Psal. 15. Psal. 145. 18. Iohn. 14. 13.

c Rom. 8. 26.

to ask as we ſhould, and thou
alone, both wiſely doſt know,
& effectually canſt graunt, not
onely what we doe deſire, but
d Epheſ. 3 20. a great deale more d then we
can thinke vpon: wherefore
wee direct our praiers vnto
thee, our gratious and merci-
full Father; beſeeching thee
that according vnto thy pro-
miſe, thou wilt poure vppon
e Zac. 12. 10. vs, e the Spirite of grace and
Praier, which may with vnſpe-
f Rom. 8. 26. kable groaningsf make inter-
ceſsion for vs; that not vvith
g Eſay 29. 13. lips onelie, g our hearts being
far from thee, but with mind
and mouth together, we may
vnfaignedlie as becommeth
thy children, and true wor-
h Iohn. 4 23. ſhippers, inh Spirit and truth
with a burning affection of
the hart call vpon thee, who
art the true and eternal God
and offer the gratefull Sacri-
fi

ſice [i] of thankes-giuing. Pre- i Pſal. 50.
pare thou our harts to [k] prai- 14.
er, make them zealous, leſt o- Pſal. 116.
therwiſe we be like ſuch, as in 17.
praying tempt thee. Therfore k Eccle.
in our prayers let vs not diſ- 18.22.
ſemble like Hypocrites, nei- l Mat. 6.5
ther boaſt of our well doing,
like proude Phariſies, to bee
ſeene of men, but onelie ſette
forth thy glorie, and aduance
thy holie and ſacreed name.

Wherefore good Father,
wee beſeech thee to inſtruct
our [m] mindes, that wee deſire m Mat. 6.
not fooliſh, vaine, and tranſi- 21.
torie things. But let vs alway
craue corporal things, accor-
ding to thy wil, with this con-
dition, if they bring non hurt
with them vnto our ſoules:
and euermore prefer celeſtial
things, which are to be asked
without all exception, before
worldly, that our joy may be

n Ioh. 16. 24. perfect in the heuens. n Grant
o Mar. 11 24. therefore, Almightie Father,
Mat. 7. 7. that wee may certainly per-
Mat. 21. 22. swade our selues, o that what-
Iam. 1. 6. soeuer wee shall aske at thine hands through faith, we shall obteine the same; and let vs neuer doubt of thy fatherlie affection towardes vs; but thorough a liuelie faith, and firme confidence, let vs constantly beleeue, that our praiers shall effectuallie be heard, through, and for, thy Christs
p Iohn 14. 13. 2. Ioh. 16. 22. sake, p in whome all thy promises are, yea, q & are in him. Amen.
q 2. cor. 1. 20. Furthermore, if at any time our prayers be not graunted spedilie, according to our desire, giue vs a strong fayth,
r Rom. 8. 25. that we faint not, but that we
s Abac. 2. 3. may through patience s expect thine aid; knowing that comming, it wil come, and thy

truth

ruth wil not linger. Gouerne
herfore our harts by thy ho-
y ſpirit, that we apoint not a
ime, maner, or limites of hel-
ing vs, but may in al things,
ubmit our ſelues to thy hea-
enlie will and pleaſure, and
ommend our praiers vnto
hee in hope and ſilence, [t] for
thou wilt not miſſe an hour;
[u] but come in a time conueni-
nt. Likewiſe (O Lorde) illu-
trate our hearts and mindes
ith thy light, that wee caſt
ot forth our praiers, truſting
in our owne righteouſneſſe,
[x] but in thy manifolde mercies
hrough Chriſt, by whom we
haue boldnes by faith, to ap
roch vnto thy throne, [z] and
o call thee Abba, Father.
Gouerne our harts & minds,
hat in praiyng, wee neither
reſume, [a] nor truſt vpon our
wn worthines, & ſo through

t Eſay 30. 15.
u Ioh. 2. 4
x Eſa. 32. 5
y Ephe. 3. 12.
z Rom. 8. 15. Gal. 4. 6.
a Luk. 18.

pride contemne others: but
let vs humblie, and louinglie
b Iam. 5. 16. like brethren, b pray one for
another, that wee all may bee
saued. Take away from vs all
c Mat. 6. 7. babbling c and superfluitie of
words, that we be not as Eth-
nickes, which for their long
speach thinke to be hard. As-
sist vs also (good Lorde) that
the sight and remembraunce
of our owne vnworthines, do
not terifie vs from praier, and
that wee bee not let by other
causes, from earnest crying to
thee, night and day, for grace
and mercie. Nowe therefore,
O heauenly Father, and eter-
nall God, giue vnto vs grace
that in al places we may pray
lifting vp pure harts & hands
d 1. Tim. 2. 8. d without wrath or doubting
e Math. 6. 12. Mark 11. 25. e and say, forgiue vs our trespasses, and with deepe sighinges, and sure confidence

cont

continually to perſiſt [f] in making ſupplications, praiers, interceſsions, and giuing of thankes for all men; that according vnto thy promiſe, we may receiue, both heauenlie and temporall benefites. For this is the confidence which we haue in thee, that whatſoeuer we ſhall aske [g] according to thy will, thou wilt grant it vnto vs: And hearing all our petitions, wee doubt not, but that our requeſtes, which at this time we haue made vnto thee by Chriſt our Lord; ſhall in like manner bee graunted; who liueth and raigneth with thee, in the vnitie of the holie Spirit, to whom be glorie and praiſe for euer-more. Amen.

[f] 1. Tim. 2. 1.

[g] 1. Iohn. 5. 14. Mat. 7. 7. Math. 21. 22. 1. Iohn. 3. 22.

A PRAIER FOR REMISSION *of sinnes.*

O Most gratious and mercifull GOD, which art cleare from spot and sinne, all thy waies are [a] mercie and truth; we miserable and wretched sinners, acknowledg the horrible corruption of our nature, and with humble and sorrowful hearts bewaile our filthinesse, whereby wee haue polluted thine Image, [b] imprinted within vs at our first creation. Wee confesse vnto thy Majestie, that manie and great are our sinnes; our offences wonderfull, our transgressions are infinite, euen as the sand of the Sea which cannot bee numbred: For all the cogitations of mans hart, are prone

[a] Psal. 25. 10.

[b] Gen. 1. 26. Gen. 5. 1. Gen. 9. 6. 2. Cor. 11 7. Col. 3. 10.

prone [c] to euill euer-more. O Lord, [d] who knoweth his sins; or who can recite al the transgressions of man? Behold, we confesse our offences, and our sinne [e] is alwaies before vs. Against thee only haue we sinned, and doone euill in thine eies, that thou maiest bee just when thou speakest, and pure when thou judgest: Beholde, we are borne in iniquitie, and in sinn did our mothers conceiue vs; and those our sinnes haue wee multiplied in our daily transgressions, & therefore haue deserued thy just displeasure, with paines eternall. Notwithstanding, wee appeale vnto thy mercie, O Lord, beseeching thee, not to enter into judgement with thy seruants, [f] for no flesh is righteous in thy sight. For if thou [g] straitlie obseruest iniquities,

[c] Gen. 6. 5. Gen. 8. 21. Math. 15. 19.
[d] Psal. 19. 12.
[e] Psal. 51. 3. 4. 5.
[f] Psal. 143 2.
[g] Psa. 130 3.

quities, O LORDE, who ſhall ſtand? If thou contend with
[h] Iob. 9. 3 man, [h] he ſhall not be able to aunſwere thee one of a thouſand. For [i] what is man that
[i] Iob. 15. 14. 15. Iob. 15. 16. hee ſhould be cleane; and hee that is born of a woman, that he ſhould be juſt? Behold, thou foundeſt no ſteadfaſtneſſe in thy Saintes: yea, the heauens are not cleare in thy ſight. How much more is man abhominable and filthie in thy ſight, which drinketh iniqui-
[k] Eſay 64 6. tie like water? Behold, [k] Lord wee are all become vncleane, and all our righteouſnes is like a filthie clout: Wherfore,
[l] Pſa. 51. 1 wee humbly beſeech thee, [l] to haue mercie vpon vs, O God, according to thy great mercie, and according vnto the multitude of thy compaſſi-
[m] Pſal. 51 3. ons, doe away our iniquitie, waſh vs [m] throughly from our iniqui-

iniquities, & cleanſe vs from our ſinne. For thy name ſake [n] O Lorde, bee mercifull vnto our iniquitie, for it is great: remember not the ſins of our youth, nor our rebelions, but according to thy kindnes remember thou vs, euen for thy goodnes ſake, O Lorde. Remember thy tender mercies and louing kindnes, whiche haue bene for euer. Remember alſo [o] that wee are fleſh, a winde that paſſeth, and commeth not againe: Therefore, leaue thy diſpleaſure againſt vs; bee not angry with vs for euer; [p] neither do thou threaten vs perpetuallie. Deal not with vs according to our ſins; neither rewarde vs after our iniquities; but conuert vs, O our God of ſaluation, & turn awaye thy diſpleaſure againſt vs. Shew vs thy mercy ô Lord, and

n pſal.25. 11.7.6

o pſal.78. 39. pſal. 103. 14.

p pſa.103 9. pſal. 103. 10.

g Psal. 85. 7. and g grant vs thy saluation, for thy Names sake. O most mercifull God, we confesse in deede, that it lies not in our power to put away and purge our sins, and to purchase thy fauour: but onelie it is the passion and moste innocent death of thy Sonne, our Lord Iesus Christ, the immacculate Lamb, which is a sufficient re-
e 1. Iohn. 2. 2. conciliation for our sinnes, and yet not for ours only, but for the sins also of the whole
f 1. Iohn. 1. 7. world. For his blood which was shed for vs, doeth cleanse vs from all sinne; and if wee confesse our sinnes, thou art faithfull and just, to forgiue vs our sinnes, and to cleanse vs from all vnrighteousnesse. Wherefore, through confidence of this thy mercy, promised by thy Sonne; wee are bolde, with deepe sighs from

heart

heart to cry, Lorde [t] forgiue our offences, remitte our iniquities, couer our sinnes, and impute not our faultes vnto vs. Purge vs O Lord, from our secret faultes; [u] keepe thy seruaunts also from presumptuous sins; let them not raigne ouer vs; so shal we be vpright, and purged from our greatest wickednesse, that lasting the sweetnes of thy benignity, we may be secure and certaine of the remission of our sinnes. Giue the knowledge [x] of saluation to thy people by the remission of their sinnes; thorow the bowels of thy mercy, whereby the day spring from an high hath visited vs: that we may perceue in our minds both comfort, peace, & gladnes of the holie Spirit, which may beginne a newe life in vs pleasing thee; quench all the moti-

[t] Psa. 32.5
[u] Psal. 19. 12. 13.
[x] Luke 1. 77.

motions of our mindes, ſtriuing with thy diuine pleſure, and reſtore in vs the image of thy diuine light whiche was loſt, that being deliuered out of the hands of our enemies, we may ſerue thee in feare, in holines and righteouſnes all the daies of our life, through Chriſt, in whom thou art well
y Math. 3 17. Marke 1. 11. Luk. 3. 22 pleaſed, y and for whoſe ſake, all our works, howſoeuer vnperfect, are acceptable in thy ſight, Amen.

A PRAIER FOR THE *Morning.*

a pſal. 72. 18. BLeſſed a be the Lord God, which alone doth wonderous thinges; and bleſſed bee the name of his Majeſtie for euer-more, which hath ſette the

the [b] Sun to lighten the daie, and ordaind the Moone, with the course of starres to go before the night. O most high God, [c] the day is thine, and the night is thine; thou hast framed the light and the sun; by thine vnspeake-able wisedome, thou hast distinguished the day from the night; [d] & so hast thou decreed, that while the world shal last, this course of times and daies shall neuer haue an end; [e] so that man in the night may rest; and again, when daye comes, goe about his busines, and labour [f] vnto the Euening. O LORD, [g] thy truth endureth for euer; thou laiedst the foundation of the earth and it endureth; by thy appointment the daye dooth last: for all are thy seruaunts. For these and al other thy benefits, we praise thee greatly;

[b] Gen. 1. 14. &c. psa. 136. 8 Ier. 31. 35

[c] psal. 74. 16.

[d] Gen. 1. 4. 5.

[e] Gen. 8 22.

[f] psal. 104. 23

[g] psa. 119 90.

and

and giue thee thankes for thy exceeding glorye: euen as it becommeth vs euery day [h] to preuent the Sunne rising, to blesse thine holy Name, and to worship thee at the appearing of the day starre. We extoll thine infinite goodnes in like sort, for keeping vs this night past, both frō the power & tyrannie of Sathan; from the snares and subtiltie of all our enemies: & finally, from dangers both of soul and body; For of thy singular goodnes, and fatherlie care [i] thou hast made vs quietly to sleepe & rest this night: againe, thou hast suffered vs to awake, and opened our eies, giuing them power to see and beholde the morning light [k] which nowe appeareth. Therefore, we wil sing of thy power; and praise thy mercie in the morning;

[h] Wis. 16 28.

[i] Esay 38. 10.

[k] Psal. 89. 16.

for

for thou art our defence and refuge, in the day of our trouble. O our helper, [l] wee will praise thee with all our harts, and glorifie thy Name for euer: For great is thy mercye towards vs; thou hast deliuered our soules from the lowest graue. Haddest not thou bene our defence, innumerable euils had ouer-whelmed vs: so that we should not haue risen to praise thy name: Had not thy word [m] bin our comfort, wee had with out doubt perrished in our affliction. Wherefore, we will not for euer bee forgetfull of thy justifications; for they haue reuiued vs. Vnto thee [n] Lord, will wee lift vppe our eies on hie, from whence our helpe shall come. Betimes [o] in the morning doe wee call vpon thee, that thy mercy [p] may preuent

l Psal. 86. 12.

m Psalme 119.92.

n Psal. 121 1.

o Psal. 59. 16.

p Psal. 79. 8.

vs,

vs, and thy goodnes ouertake
vs quicklie. Let thy fauor pre-
q Eccle. uent vs q as dooth the Sunne,
33.2. which rising, spreadeth his
beames ouer all the parts of
the earth; and as the light of
r 2. Sam. the morning r when the Sunne
23.4. appeareth, earlie when it shi-
neth without the cloudes. Af-
ter the same sort giue vs thy
clearenes, and shew thy coun-
tenance ouer vs; that lighte-
ned by thy worde, wee may
walke all this daye long, cir-
cumspectly, and warilie in the
wais of thy commandements,
that, being blinded in the day
time, wee run not into darke-
s Iob. 5. nes, neither grope s at noone
14. day, as in the night, wandring
from the pathes of thy judg-
ments. O God t be mercifull
t Psa. 67.1 vnto vs, & blesse vs, & shew vs
the light of thy countenance,
and be gracious vnto vs: that

wee may know thy way vpon earth, and thy ſauing health among all nations. O moſte mercifull God, [u] turne thine eies of compaſsion vpon vs, and haue mercy on vs. Looke vpon vs [x] with thy fauorable countenaunce, and turne not thy face from thy ſeruaunts. Open our eies, [y] that we may cõſider the wonderful things in thy law; and make vs in the morning, [z] to behold thy glorie: O GOD, guider of our life, [a] forſake vs not; neither giue vs proud lookes, & turne from vs the filthineſſe of deſire. Remoue from our harts all concupiſcence, and take from thy ſeruaunts, too ouer bolde a ſtomach; ſuffer vs not to run hedlong into riotouſnes and bellie-cheare, let not vnlawfull loue ouer-come vs, and giue not thy ſeruaunts ouer

u pſal. 69. 17.

x pſal. 31. 18.

y pſa. 119 11.

z Exod. 16.7.

a Eccle. 23.4. &c.

uer into impudent mindes.
b Psa.119. 37. Turne our eies b that they be-
holde no vanitie; strengthen
vs in thy way, and grant, that
the offences of this worlde o-
uer-throwe vs not. Beholde
c Psa.119. 81. Lorde, c our soules lust after
thy saluation, and we long for
thy word. We beseech thee,
O Lorde, with a most earnest
affection, and humblie craue
at thy mercifull handes, that
this day, and euer-more, thou
d Psal.91. 5. wilt keepe vs, and all ours, d
from the arrowe fliyng in the
daye, from the pestilence and
plague that destroyeth at the
Noone-tide: Hide vs vnder
thy wings, and vnder thy fea-
thers we wil haue hope; blinde
e Psal.69. 23. the eies e of our enemies, that
they see not; and make their
loynes alwais to tremble: but
open thine eies ouer vs, and
bee thou vnto vs a mightie
pro-

protectour f this day, a firma- f Eccle.
ment of strength, a couering 34.16.
gainst heate and parching, g Psal.91.2
shadow at noone-tide, a de- g Esay.4.
ence from offending, an af- 6.
ister from falling, a comfor-
er of our soules, a lightener
of our mindes, and a giuer of
elth and happines in Christ
ur Lord, Amen.

AN OTHER PRAIER FOR *the Morning.*

O Eternall God and most mercifull Father of our ord Iesu Christ, which toge- her a with thy Sonne, and the a Eph.3.9
olie Ghost, hast created the ame of this worlde, with all hings therin contained, and eseruest the same as yet, ac- ording to thy free pleasure.

All

Al creatures without ceasing,
euer-more should extoll and
praise thee, and that doe euen
b Wis. 17. 17. the verye foules of the Aire,
which earlie in the morning
among the thicke braunches
of trees, and from the midst
of rockes, giuing out their
sound, & flying about in the
Air, with most pleasant tunes
do magnifie thee the eternal
psal. 104. 12. God, Lord, and Creator of all
things. And therfore, we men
also, earlie in the morning
should praise thee for thy be-
nefites, and euer-more extol
thy mercie with diuine com-
mendations. Thou hast pre-
serued vs this night passed
and from our cradles to this
present houre, hast thou kept
vs safe; Thou hast caused vs
come from sleepe and dark-
nes vnto the light of this day
and from our bedds throw

thy benignitie we do arise in safetie. Haddest not thou O Lorde, beene present with vs, and watched vs, the insatiable credulitie of Sathan hadd deuoured vs. Hadst not thou kept our houses and vs, [c] the keeper of the Cittie had watched in vaine. If the Lorde had not beene on our side, [d] when men rose vp against vs, they hadd the[n] swallowed vs vp quicke, when their wrath was kindled against vs, then had the waters (of trouble) drowned vs, and the streame (of miseries) had gone ouer our souls; yea, the swelling & merciles waters had gone ouer our soules. Blessed be the Lorde, which hath not giuen vs a pray for their teeth. Our soules are escaped, euen as a birde out of the snare of the fowlers, the snare is broken; and

[c] psal. 127 1.

[d] psal. 12. 4. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8.

and wee are deliuered. Our
helpe is in the Name of the
Lord, which hath made both
heauen and earth. Now har-
ken therfore vnto our words
e Psal. 5. 2 O Lord, e marke our cry, vn-
Psal. 5. 3. derstande the voyce of our
praier, our King & our God.
For vnto thee, Lorde wee will
praye, heare our voyce in the
morning, earlie will we stand
before thee, and beholde thy
fortitude and majestie, look-
ing for thine assistaunce with
a wonderfull desire. O God
and gouernour, raise vs vpp
Esay 50. earlie, f earlie we say, lift vpp
4. our eares vnto the hearing o
thee our instructour. Ope
g. Prou. 2. thou our eares, g that wee re-
2 bell not against thee, neithe
yet go backeward, but let thy
voyce sounde in our eares.
h Psal. 40. Make them obedient to thee
6. h that wee bee not obstinate
like

ike the Serpent, neither har-
lened like the deafe Adder, [i] which ſtoppeth his eares: but
et them bee open, [k] to heare
hy laws and teſtimonies, and
earken alwaies vnto the crie
f the poore; [l] that the mor-
ing light maye riſe vnto vs,
nd our light breake forth as
he day, and our helth ſpring
p ſodainlie. Againe, [m] ſhut
pp our eares, hedge them in
ith thornes, and put barres
pon them, that they neither
dmitte, nor allowe falſe do-
rines, and that they turne
ot [n] from the truth to fables
nd other follies. But thou, O
ur God and Creator, which
idſt plant the eare [o] and hea-
ſt all things, make the ſame
ith a willing and redy mind
obey thee our maker and
deemer. Heare vs Lord, for
y louing kindenes is good,

i pſal. 58. 4.
k Eſai. 8. 20.
l pro. 22 23.
m Eccle. 28. 24.
n 2. Tim. 4. 4.
o pſal. 94. 9.

p Psal. 69. 16. P turn vnto vs according vnto the multitude of thy tender

q Lam. 3. 56. mercies; and q stop not thine ear from our sighing, & from

r Psal. 86. 1. our crye. Incline thine eare, O Lord, and heare vs, for we are poore and needie. Have mercy on vs, O Lord, because wee cry vnto thee all the day long. Let vs heare thy louing

s Psal. 143 8. kindnesse s in the morning, which is better then al riches, yea, then life it selfe: make vs

t Psa 51. 8 to hear joy t and gladnes, that the boanes which thou hast broken may rejoyce. Wee beseech thee, O eternall God, by the incarnation and nativitie of thy Sonne Iesu Christ, that through thy word entring into our eares & minds thou wilt transforme vs into newe men, that wee may be borne of thee, and as new

u 1. pet. 2. 2. borne babes u desire that milke

not of bodie, but of the mind which knoweth no deceipt: whereby we may growe, and taſt how ſweet thy promiſe is to the godlie, which imbrace the ſame through faith: and that laying aſide al maliciouſnes, and guile, and al diſſimulation and enuy, we may walk as Children, [x] but in vnderſtanding may be perfect. And being thus regenerated, keep vs, O eternall God, both this daye, and at all times from euill tidinges, [y] that our eares heare no rumors of wars, nor bee terrified by any greeuous thinge. Fill vs in this houre with thy mighty fauour, that all this day rejoycing togeather, we maye delighte in thy praiſes, through our Lord Ieſus Chriſt, which liueth and raigneth, with thee for euermore, Amen.

1 pet. 2.

x 1. Cor. 14. 20. Mat. 18. 3.

y pſa. 112. 7.

AN OTHER PRAIER TO B
ſaid in the Morning.

OMoſt merciful God, an louing father; which g ueſt the people of Iſraell charge,[a] euery daye, both the morning, and at night, offer vnto thee a burnt offe ring, for a ſweet ſauour in th ears, that thereby they migh glorifie thee, and giue the thanks for the benefit of the protection both night & da riſing this morning, we offe vpp vnto thee the ſacrifice thankeſgiuing.[b] We glorifi thee, O eternall God, for bre king the chains[c] of the dark nes of this night. Wee wi offer vnto thee a ſacrifice praiſe, & call vpon thy name Wee will praiſe our GOD which

a Exo. 29. 38. Nom. 28. 3. 1. Chron. 16. 37. 2. Chron. 13. 11.

b Pſal. 50. 14. 23.

c Pſa. 116 16. 17

which brought vs out of darknes and the shadow of death; and brake the bonds, wherewith we were tied in the night; he hath deliuered our soules from perrils, by bringing vs safe and found vnto the morning light. Wherefore we offer before thee, the calues of our lipps, [e] for a morning Sacrifice, and with our tongues doe we praise thee, O Lorde. Our mouthes [f] shall bee filled with thy praise, and with thy glorie euery day. Our tongs shall talke of thy righteousnes and saluation euery day. Our lippes shall speake of thy praise, [h] and our tongs shall intreat of thy word: our souls shall be filled, as it were with fatnesse; [i] and with the lips of rejoycing shall our mouthes extoll thee. We wil praise thy name with songs, [k] and magnifie

d psa. 107 14.
e Hos. 14. 3.
f psal. 71. 8.
g psa. 35. 28. psal. 71. 24.
h psa. 119 171.
i psa. 36. 8
k psal. 69. 30. psa 69. 31.

nifie thee with thanksgiuing, whiche pleaseth thee better, than either Oxe or Calfe that hath hornes and hooues: Wherefore, let the Sacrifice
l psal. 19. 14. of our mouthes, [l] which wee offer vnto thee now this morning, and the meditations of our hearts be gratefull in thy sight. O Lorde, wee beseeche
m Psal. 119. 108. thee, [m] accept the free offeringes of our mouthes, and teach vs thy judgements, that we may do thy wil according vnto thy good pleasure. Vnto
n psal. 88. 13. thee, O Lorde, wee will cry, [n] and earlie shall our praier com before thee: In the morning doe we beseech thee by the resurrection of our Lord Iesu Christ thy well beloued
o Rom. 6. 4. Col. 2. 12 Eph. 1. 20 Sonne, that as he was raised [o] from the dead by thy glorie So, thou wilt raise and lift vs vp this morning; that rising

out of the filth of sinne, and leauing the beds of vnrighteousnes, wee may put on the newe man, which is renued in knowledge, [p] after the image of thee [q] which diddest creat him, and giue not ouer our selues to sleepe and snorting. Awake now our soules [r] which sleepe; rise from the dead, and Christ will lighten yee: For certaine, it is hie time, that we should arise from sleepe, [s] the houre of our watching being nigh, and our saluation nerer than when we beleeued. The night is passed, and the day is at hand. Grant therfore mercifull God, that casting of the workes of darknesse, and putting on the armour of light, we may walke honestlie as in the day; not in gluttonie, and drunkennes, [t] neither in chambering and wantonnes, [u] nor in

p Col. 3. 10.
q Gen. 1. 26. Gen. 5. 1. Gen. 9. 6. 1. Cor. 11. 7.
r Ephe. 5. 14.
s Rom. 13. 11.
t Luk. 21. 34.
u Gal. 5. 16.

in ſtrife and enuiyng; but may
x Rom. 13.14. put on our Lord Ieſu Chriſt,[x] by true faith, & good workes which may ſmell of him; that taſting of his ſweetnes, at no time wee maye bee ſeperated from him. Wherefore, we beſeech thee, O Lord, continue thy goodnes towards vs, and grant that all our praiers and works, may both begin from thee, and ende through thee, Vouchſafe, O Lord, to keepe
y Pſal. 33. 22. vs this day without ſinne; Let
z Pſal. 34. 13. thy mercie be vpon vs, as[y] we truſt in thee. O Lorde, keepe
a 1. Pet. 2. 1. our tongues from euill,[z] and
1. pet. 3. 10. our lips, that they ſpeake no
Eph. 5. 12 guile. Remooue from vs all
Ephes. 4. 25. filthie ſpeache,[a] vanitie of
Col. 3. 8. words, and all ſcurrilitie, that
Sirac. 23. 7. we blab out nothing raſhlie,
b Sirac. 23 26. or vndiſcretlie, to the hurt of our neighbor. Who ſhal ſet a
Pſa. 141. 3 watch before our mouthes,[b]

and

and a ſure ſeale of wiſedome before our lips; that wee offend not in our ſpeache, that our tongues doe not deſtroy vs? Omnipotent GOD, put thou a watch vpon our mouthes, [c] and a dore vppon our lips, that our mouthes tranſgreſſe not; neither our lips be opened, to ſpeake that is vnſeemelie; that our mouthes may meditat vpon the truth, & our lips abhor wickednes, that all the woordes of our mouthes may be ſincere, and no lewdneſſe or frowardneſſe found in them. Grant merciſull God, that deſcending into our ſoules, wee may reprehend & condemne the ſpots, and vices within vs, and forgetting our ſelues, judge others, [e] and thereby fall into thy dreadfull judgements. O Lorde, deliuer vs from liyng

c Sirach. 28.24. Pſa.141.3

d. Prou.1. 6.7.8.

e Mat.7.1 2. Luk.6.37 Rom.2.1 1.Cor.4.3

34 lips, [f] and from a deceiptfull
f psa 120 tongue, whose mouth [g] is soft-
2. g psal 55. ter than Butter, and their
21. words more gentle than oile;
& yet are most percing darts.
They haue sharpened their
tongues like Serpents; [h] the
h psa. 140 poyson of Asps is vnder their
3. Rom. 3. lips. Keepe vs, O Lord, both
13. now and euer-more. Send thy
word [i] and heale vs, LORDE,
i psa. 107. through our Sauiour Christ,
20. thy beloued Sonne, Amen.

AN OTHER PRAIER FOR *the Morning.*

O Lorde God, maker of all things, which art fearfull and strong, and righteous, & mercifull; which art onelie a gratious king, onelie liberall, only just, almightie, and euer-

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lasting; whiche deliuerest vs from all troubles, both by daie and night; which hast made vs thy chosen, through the blood of thy Sonne, our Lord and Sauior Christ, which was [b] shed for vs; and hast sanctified vs by thy Spirite giuen into our hearts, that we should bee a chosen generation, [c] a royall Priesthood, to offer acceptable Sacrifices vnto thee; Receiue nowe the Sacrifice of praise from our mouthes, [d] for thy benefits conferred vppon vs. We thanke thee, O eternal God, not onelie for keeping vs this night passed, but also for defending vs all our lifetime, from the snares of wicked spirits, that they could not circumuent and ouer-throw vs. Wee will praise thee, O Lord, with our whole heart, [e] we will speake of all thy maruelous

b Eph. 5. 2.
c 1.pet.2. 9.
d 2 Mach 1.26.
e psal.9.1

uelous works; we will be glad and rejoice in thee: our ſongs will we make of thy Name, O thou moſt high, which exalteſt vs fró the gates of death, that wee may declare all thy praiſes in the portes of thy Churches, we wil exceedingly rejoyce in thy ſaluation. Bleſſed bee the Lord God of Iſra-
f Luke 1. 68.69.71 79. ell, f becauſe hee hath viſited and redeemed his people, and hath raiſed vppe an horne of ſaluation vnto vs, and deliuered vs from our enemies, and from the handes of all that hate vs. He hath bene merciful vnto vs, in lightning thoſe which ſat in darkenes, and in the ſhadow of death, to direct our feet into the way of peace
g Heb. 13 15. h Hoſ. 14. 3. To thee doe wee offer the Sacrifice of praiſe: g that is, the fruit of lips, h confeſsing thy Name. Our mouthes ſhall

praiſe

praiſe thee, O Lorde, and our tongues declare thy righteouſnes. Lo, we wil not refrain our lippes, O Lorde, and that thou knoweſt; [i] yea, wee will lift vppe our hands vnto thy ſanctuarie, and with our feet, will we haſten towards thine houſe, and in thy congregation wee will praiſe thee. Wee will magnifie thee, O GOD our king, [k] and will bleſſe thy Name for euer and euer. Euerie day will wee giue thankes to thee, and praiſe thy Name for euer and euer. For great art thou, O Lorde, and moſte worthie to bee praiſed; there is none end of thy greatneſſe. All generations ſhal extol thy workes, & ſpeake of thy power: they ſhal talke of thy worſhip, glorie, praiſe, and woonderous workes; and wee will declare thy mightineſſe. The memori-

i Pſal. 40. 10.

k Pſa. 145 1. 2. 3. 4. 5 6. 7. 8. 9. 10.

memoriall of thine abundant kindnes ſhall be ſhewed, and men ſhall ſing alowde of thy righteouſnes. The lord is gratious and mercifull, ſlowe to anger, & of great mercie. The lord is good vnto every man, and his mercies are ouer all his works. Al thy works prais thee, O Lord, and thy Saintes giue thankes vnto thee from one generation to an other. O God, earlie now this morning, doe we cal for thine vnſpeakable mercie, beſeeching thee from the botome of our hart, that this morning thou wilt lighten our mindes, ſo that the ſhining and brightnes of thy knowledg may riſe in vs, which are called out of
l 1 pet. 2. darknes l into the maruelous
m Rom. 13. 11. light of thy glorie, that being awakened out of ſleepe, m we may giue our ſelues to the workes

works of light, and walke honestlie, as in the day, not in rioting and drunkennes, neither in chambering and wantonnes, neither in strife and enuieng. For we beleuers are the children of light, [n] and of the daye, not of night and of darkenes. Therefore giue vs grace that wee sleepe not, as others doe, but make vs to watch and bee sober, putting on the brestplate of faith and charitie, and for an helmet to take the hope of saluation. For thou god hast not ordained vs to wrath, but to obteine saluation through our Lord Iesus Christ, which died for vs. Giue vs grace likewise we besech thee, that we abuse not this daye, and other thy creatures [o] vnto vanitie, neither giue our members [p] as instruments of vnrighteousnes

n 1. Thes. 5. 5. 6.

o Rom. 8 20.

p Rom. 6. 13.

nes vnto ſinne, by doing ſuch deedes as fight againſt the ſoul, q wound the conſcience, and greeue the ſame. Succor vs gratious God, that painefullie we may ſhun and auoid ſixe things, which thou doeſt hate; r yea, ſeauen which thy ſoule doth abhorre: to wit, a proud looke, a liyng tongue, handes that ſhedde innocent blood, an heart that goeth about wicked imaginations, feet that bee ſwift in running to miſchiefe, a falſe witneſſe, which bringeth foorth lies, & him that ſoweth diſcorde among brethren. O Lord, God of our ſaluation; into thyne handes, will wee deliuer our hearts; that earlie they maie watch to thee our maker, s & in thy ſight will we pray, that thou maieſt protect vs in the day of trouble. In ſix calami-

q 1. Pet. 2. 11.

r Prou. 6. 16. 17. 18 19.

s Eccle. 39 5.

ties

ties deliuer vs, O Lorde, and
n the t ſeauenth let no euill t Iob. 5
come vnto vs; in famine, ſaue 19.20.21
vs from death; in battel, from 22.
the power of the ſword; hide
vs from the ſcourge of the
tong, when deſtruction com-
meth, let vs not fear; in darth
make vs merrie; and let not
the beaſtes of the earth apale
our courage. Graunt this, O
Father, for thy deare Sonne,
our Sauiour Chriſt his ſake,
Amen.

A PRAIER FOR THE *Euening.*

WE wil confeſſe thee,
O Lord and King,
and praiſe thee, O God our a Sirac. 51
Sauiour; we giue thankes vn- 1. Sirac. 51.
to thy Name; for thou art our 20.
defen-

defender and helper, and ha
preſerued our bodies fro
deſtruction, & from the ſnar
of the ſlanderous tongs, an
from the lips that are occup
ed with lies. Thou haſt bee
our helper from ſuch as ſtoo
vpp againſt vs, and deliuere
vs after the multitude of th
mercies; and for thyne ho
Name ſake, from the roarin
of them, which were readie t
deuoure vs; out of the hand
of ſuche, as ſought after ou
liues; and from the manifol
afflictions which wee hadde
from the deepe of hell; fro
an vncleane tongue, from ly
ing wordes; from falſe accu
ſations, and from vnrighte
ous ſentence. Our ſoules ſh
praiſe the LORDE, vnto th
death: For our liues drew
neere vnto hell downe-ward
Euils inuironed vs on euer
ſide

ſide, and there was no man to helpe vs. We looked about, if there were any man to ſuccor vs, but there was none. Then thought we vpon thy mercie, O Lord, and vppon thy actes, that thou euer haſt doone of olde: For thou deliuereſt all which put their truſt in thee; and riddeſt them out of the hands of their enemies. Then we lifted vp our praiers from the earth, and praied for deliueraunce from death. Wee called vpon the Lord, the Father of our LORDE, that hee would not leaue vs, without helpe in the day of our trouble, and in the time of the proude. Wee will praiſe thy Name continuallie, yeelding honour and thankes vnto the ſame: For our praiers were heard, and thou haſt ſaued vs from deſtruction, and from al euill. Sirach. 51. 9.

euill. Therefore, wee will ac-
knoweledge and praiſe thee,
wee will magnifie thy Name,
for keping vs from our youth
vntill this preſent houre, and
for protecting vs alwaies, of
thy gratious mercie. Righte-
ous and mercifull God, be-
fore thee do we ſigh, beſeech-
ing thee, by the death & bu-
riall of our Lord, and Sauiour
Chriſt thy welbeloued ſonne,
that thou wouldeſt vouchſafe
to couer, and burie all our
b Pſal.32. miſdeeds, b whatſoeuer from
1.
Pſal.51.9. our infancy, vntil this preſent
houre, either wittinglie or ig-
norantlie wee haue commit-
ted; & eſpecially thoſe, which
wittingly wee haue done, in
thought, woorde, or deede, a-
gainſt thy diuine Majeſtie, &
commandements. All which
to thee alone, which knowe
all thinges, wee confeſſe, wit
broken

broken hearts, and lowly ſpirites, beſeeching thee to pardon them, and to forgiue all our ſins, whereof thou knowest wee are guiltie; and to deliuer vs from all euills, both preſent and to come. O Lord, hear the voice of our praiers, incline thine eare vnto vs, in the dais of our neceſsitie, whē we ſhall cry vnto thee. [c] The ſnares of death haue compaſſed vs about, and the ſtraites of hell haue taken hold of vs; Wee haue lighten vpon ſorrowe, and trouble, notwithſtanding, we will cal vpon the Lorde: O Lorde, wee beſeech thee deliuer our ſoules. Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; yea, our God is merciful. The Lord preſerueth the ſimple; wee were in trouble, and hee helped vs: Turne then againe vnto your reſt, O our ſoules;

[c] pſa. 116 2. 3.

ſoules; for the Lord wil bleſſ
yee . Thou wilt deliuer our
ſoules from death , our eie
from tears, and our feet fro
falling, that we may walk be
fore thee in the land of the li
uing. O Chriſt, God, and Sa
uiour of the worlde : ſaue
Lord, watching; keepe vs ſlee
ping ; that in peace wee ma
both reſt and wake. Bee tho
our light in darknes, then ſh
our life bee as cleare as th
Noone-day, [d] and ſhine for
as the morning, ſo that wit
confidence, and ſecuritie we
may lie down, and ſleepe, an
none ſhall make vs affraid, be
cauſe thou art our protector
O Sonne of righteouſneſſ
and brightneſſe of perpet
all Charitie : Leade vs int
the viſion of thy light, whe
thou ſhalt everlaſtinglie ſhi
vppon vs , and thou G O

[d] Iob. 11 17.

e our glorie. The Sun there
hall not goe downe, neither
he Moone be hid, [e] but thou e Reuel
Lord, ſhalt be our euerlaſting 21.25.
ighte, [f] that our ſorrowefull f Eſai. 60
laies may take an end. Grant 19.
ikwiſe, that leuing this place
of darknes, wee may be tran-
lated into the true and newe
ight, which wee nowe looke
for thorough faith, vntill the
erpetuall morning appeare
nto vs, that we may beholde
hee in a cleare light, face to
ace, [g] where ſhall be no light, g Reu. 22
we ſhal neither neede candle, 4.
nor light of the Sun, but thou
Lord wilt lighten vs. O holie
Spirit, God bee thou a lighte
vnto vs. At our laſt gaſp when
our harts pant, [h] our ſtrength h pſa. 38.
faileth, our ſight departeth; 10.
our hering is deaf, our mouth
dumbe, when our feet cannot
go, nor our hands feele, when
all

all our ſenſes forſake vs, gi
vs ſome ſence of Eternall life
that we may taſt in this worl
the beginnings of thine euer
laſting ioy: and at our depar
ture out of this worlde, be
holde thy diuine preſcence
and ſo ſleepe quietlie to Eter
nall life; Amen.

AN OTHER PRAIER FOR *the Evening.*

O Almightie, and eternall God; Father of our lord Ieſus Chriſt, which togethe with thy Sonne and the holi Ghoſt, didſt create man [a] after thine own liknes, and breath [b] into him the breath of life, the which through thy good nes continues at thy pleſure thou haſt made [c] of on bloo

a 1. Cor. 11.7.
b Ge.2.7.
c Act.17. 26.

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ll mankinde, and asſigned
imes, & length of our life in
his world: Thou giueſt life to
he people on the earth, and
reath to the walkers therein
whichif thuo take away, they d pſa. 104 29.
hall depart and be turned in-
o duſt: Wee bleſſe thee hea-
enlie father, and with al our
artes giue thee thankes, not
nelie for ſauing vs this daie
rom dangers: but alſo from
ur Cradles, for defending
oth our ſoules and bodies
rom death, Wherefore mag-
nifie the Lord, O our ſoules, e Luk. 1. 46.47.48.
nd our ſpirits reioice in God
ur Sauior, For hee hath loo-
ed vpon the baſenes and af-
liction of his ſeruaunts. Hee
hat is mightie hath done for
s great thinges; and holie is
is Name. Wherefore, we wil
raiſe the Lord for euermore;
ecauſe his mercie endureth

from generation to generation, vpon such as feare him. Wee will shewe foorth his power in the Euening, and when wee go to bed, wee will remember his mercie. Arise now [f] our soules, in the night praise our God: In the beginning of the watches, powre out your hearts like water before the face of the Lord. The Saintes will bee joyfull with glorie, [g] and sing loud vppon their beddes. We will praise thee continuallie, [h] and confesse thy name for euermore. For thou art the God which delighteth our harts, and maketh merry our soules: therefore in the night we wil think vppon thy benefites, and our spirits shall consider of them. For thou hast commaunded that thy mercie be celebrated in the day time, and thy truth

f Lam. 2. 19.

g Psal. 149 5.

h Psal. 44. 8.

n the night. O our Lord, and
God of mercy, i gentlenes, pa- i Exod. 34 6. Psal. 103. 2. 81.
ience, pitie, and truth, which
heweſt mercie to thouſands,
nd blotteſt out all our offen-
es: We lift vp our ſoules vn-
o thee; and from our hearts
we pray; put not before thine
ies, the horrible confuſion,
ncleannes, and wickednesse
of our mindes, being repleni-
hed with loathſome darke-
neſſe, and ignoraunce, full of
doutings & errors; our harts
& wils, are turned from thee
our God; and all the powers
& ſtrength, both of our ſouls
and bodies are defiled, and
filthilie weakened: But Lord,
of thy great mercie, blot out
our offences; looke vpon the
troubles and dolour of our
harts, and forgiue all our ſins;
For lo, our ſoules are woun-
ded, and cannot bee holpen,

but onelie through thy mercie. There is no health in our
k psal. 38. 3. 45. flesh, k because of thine anger, neither is there rest in our bones, because of our sinnes: For our iniquities are gone ouer our heads, and as a heauie burthen haue pressed vs downe. Our wounds are putrified and corrupt, becausse of our foolishnesse. Asswage thine anger, l and turne from
l psal. 37. 8. thine indignation; pardone our faultes, remit all punishment, and restore in vs the light of thy goodnesse which
m Dan. 9. 19. was lost. O Lorde, heare m O Lord, forgiue, hearken, O our God; for thine owne sake: For thy Name is called vppon by vs. ô God of heauen & earth, in this euening tide, doe we call vnto thee, that remitting our sinnes, thou wouldest receiue vs into thy protection,

and

and keepe vs this night, that the Deuill haue no power ouer vs. Bee thou watchfull ouer vs, O eternall Sauior; least the subtil tempter apprehend vs: For thou art made for vs an euerlasting protector. For beholde, whether wee sleepe or wake; whether wee liue or die, wee are thine: Thou art our Creator and Redeemer. Stand therefore on our behalfe in the watche, with the armie of thy celestiall warriours thine Angels; which, being filled with perfect goodnes, and perpetuall integrity, beholde [n] thy face, alwaies in the heauens. Expell from vs and our houses, wicked Spirits, which be our mortal enemies; that they dammage vs in no case; & deliuer vs from persecutors, [o] which lay snares for our destruction. Turn not

n Mat. 18 10.

o psal. 14 3.

away thy mercie and truet
from vs. O God aſsiſt vs, tha
peaceablie wee may reſt, an
ſleepe in quiet: Wee will la
p Pſal.4.8 vs down in peace, p and ſleep
for thou Lorde alone make
vs to dwell in ſaftie withou
q Pſa.27.5 danger. Hide vs q in thy Ta
bernacle, O Lord; that ſittin
in thy ſecreet place, and abi
ding vnder the ſhadow of th
wings; we may ſay vnto thee
lord, thou art our keeper, an
our refuge; O God, wee wi
truſt in thee, and will feare n
daunger. And although we
were in extreame darkeneſſe
yet will we not feare: Thoug
we ſhould walke r in the mi
r Pſa. 23.4 deſt of the ſhadowe of deat
yet will we dread none euil
For thou art with vs; Thy ro
and thy ſtaffe, they doe com
fort vs. Let thy mercy, ô God
follow vs all the daies of ou
life

life, that we may dwel in thyn
house, in longnesse of daies;
praising thee euermore, with
the Sonne, and holie Ghost,
one true God, raining worlds
without end, Amen.

AN OTHER PRAIER
for the Euening.

O Lord GOD, which art
our life, [a] & the strength
of our daies; our vpholder,
protecting vs from our youth
we thanke thee this euening,
and with our lippes we extoll
thy wonderfull goodnes, be-
cause thou hast defended vs
this daye, against all aduersa-
ries both of bodie and soule.
O Lord, vnto thee do we cry,
heare vs; hearken vnto our
voyce when we cry vnto thee;
Let our praiers be directed in

a Deut. 30. 20.

b Psa. 143. 1.

thy ſight as the incenſe, and
let the lifting vp of our hand
bee an Euening ſacrifice. For
thou delighteſt not in the of
e pſal.50. fering of Bulles and Rams,
13.14. but the ſacrifice of thankſgi
uing ſhall honor thee. Who
d Sira.35. ſo kepeth the Law, d bringeth
1. offerings ynough; he that ho
phil.4.18 deth fait the commandemẽt
offereth an offering of ſalua
tion. He that is thankfull vn
to them which haue well de
ſerued, offereth fine flower; &
hee that giueth almes, ſacri
ficeth praiſe. Therfore in thi
evening tyde, do we offer vn
to thee continuall ſacrifice o
e 1. Chro 16.37. thankſ-giuing, e praiſing th
goodnes for thy merciful pr
tection and defence. We wi
commend thee for thy truth
and ſing of thee, ô thou mo
high; our lips ſhal ſing of thee
& our ſoules which thou ha

redeeme

redeemed, yea, and our tongs
hall daily ſpeake of thy righ-
eouſnes. We will giue thanks
nto thee, f ô Lorde, with our f pſal. 138
whole hart, becauſe thou haſt 1.
eard all the woordes of our
nouthes. In the ſight of the
ods we will praiſe thee. Wee
vil worſhip toward thine ho-
y Temple, and celebrate thy
Name, becauſe of thy great
nercy and trueth. For thou
haſt magnified thy Name, &
hy worde aboue all thinges.
henſoeuer wee called vpon
hee, thou didſt heare vs, and
nduedſt our ſouls with much
trength. And now we cry vn-
o thee, ô lord, with our voice;
yea in thy ſight, do we poure g pſa. 142
ut our prayers, and in our 1.
rouble do we vtter them be-
ore thee, that thou maieſt
ardone all our offences, and
hoſe eſpeciallie, which we-

haue

haue committed this daye.
Bring not into thy judgment
ô Lord, all our Idle and vain
[h] Mat. 12 36. words, [h] pardon our babling
and vaine ſpeech, and impu
not our fooliſhnes vnto vs. B
merciful vnto vs, ô Lord, fo
we are gretlie penſiue for ou
ſinnes, our harts be trouble
within vs, and the feare o
death is fallen vpon vs. Fear
fulnes & trembling are com
[i] Iſal. 55. 4 vppon vs, [i] and an horrib
dread hath ouerwhelmed vs
But, ô Lord, abſolue vs fro
all our ſinnes, thorough th
worde, bringing vnto vs th
joyful tidings of gratious de
[k] Iſal. 86. 4-5. liuerance: O cõfort the har
of thy ſeruaunts: [k] for vnt
thee, Lord, haue we lift vp ou
ſoules. For thou art milde
gentle, and of much merci
to as many as call vpon thee
Bleſſed bee the Lorde, whi
hath

hath heard the voice of our humble petitions. [l] O God thou art our ſtrength, & our hielde, our hartes truſted in thee, and we are holpen, therfore our hartes do daunſe for ioy, and in our ſonges we will praiſe thee. Wee cryed vnto thee ô Lord, and ſaid, [m] Thou art our hope, and our portion in the land of the liuing. Conſider our complaint, for wee are brought very lowe. O deliuer vs from our perſecutors; for they are too ſtrong for vs. Bring our ſouls out of priſon, that we may giue thanks vnto thy name. O holie Trinitie, & perpetuall vnitie, protect vs this night, that the diuel haue no power ouer vs, O Father, gouerne vs by thy power; ô Sonne reuiue vs with thy wiſdome; and lighten vs, ô holie Ghoſt, with thy virtue, ô Creator

[l] pſal. 28. 6.7.

[m] pſal. 142.5.6.7

ator be thou present with vs, ô Redemer aid vs, ô our comforter abide with vs. The lorde blesse vs, [n] and keepe vs. The Lorde make his face to shine vpon vs, and be mercifull vnto vs; the Lorde lift vppe his countenance vpon vs, & giue vs peace. This blessing of God be this night and euermore a safetie and protection against all enemies, both visible, and invisible, that they hurte vs not any way. Euen as the Pil- [o] ler of cloude [o] in the desert, stoode betweene the tents of the Ægiptians, and the tents of the children of Israell, that none hurt might come to the people of Israell: so be thou ô Lorde, the protectour of our soules and liues; be thou, we beseech thee, an iron Pillar vnto vs, [p] that such as are our enemies preuaile not against vs,

n Nom. 6. 24.25.26,

o Exo. 14 19.20.

p Iere. 1. 18.

vs, and be thou a brazen wall betweene vs and all our aduersaries, that they come not nigh vs to our hurt. Giue vs this night a good sleepe, that quietly without cares and anguish of minde, wee may rest this night; let not troublesom dreames, & fantasies, in which is vanitie, disquiet vs. Let our sleepe be sweet, and helthfull to our bodies, that [r] waking in the morning, wee may rise in good helth, and delight in thee our God. Grant also, that both being in bed, a sleepe, and awake, wee may alwaies remember our death, [s] which is a passage to an immortall life, and withal, our joyful resurrection to euerlasting glorie, Amen.

[q] Ier. 15. 20.

[r] Sira. 32. 20.

[s] Sirac. 7. 36.

A PRAIER

A PRAIER FOR THE *Evening.*

[a] psal. 136 2.3.26. VVEe thanke thee, King of Heauen & Earth, for protecting vs this day by thy ſtrong hand, and ſtretched out arme: from all perills. The right hand of the [b] psa. 118 15.16. lord [b] bringeth mighty things to paſſe; the right hand of the lord hath exalted vs; the right hand of the Lorde hath done great things, it hath kept vs from all euill; The Lord hath ſaued our ſoules. Therefore we will be mindfull of thee, O Lord, vpon our beds, and waking, wil wee meditate of thy goodnes, becauſe thou haſt [c] psal. 63. 7.8. bene our helper; [c] vnder the ſhadow of thy winges will we rejoice.

rejoice. Our ſoules cleaue vnto thee, becauſe thy righte hand hath vpholden vs, and ſaued vs in our extremities. Wee will bee mindfull of the time paſt, wherein thou marueloulſie dideſt aſſiſt vs, and meditate of al thy deeds: [d] we wil diſcourſe of al the works of thine hands, and wil neuer forget thy mightines. For thy mercie endureth for euer, [e] and thou wilt not deſpiſe the workemanſhip of thine owne hands. Nowe bleſſe the Lord all his ſeruants, [f] which ſtand in the houſe of the lord in the courtes of the houſe of our God; in the night lift vp your handes to his ſanctuarie, and bleſſe the Lorde. The Lorde which made both Heauen & Earth, bleſſe vs from aboue. Vnto thee, ô Lord, do wee lift vppe our hands, and beſeech thee

d Pſa. 143. 5.

e Eſdr. 3. 11.

f Pſal. 134. 1.

thee with all humblenes of minde, pardon all our sinnes which this day we haue committed, either against thee, or our neighbours. Our handes
g Esay. 59. 3. are defiled with blood, g and our fingers with much iniquitie. Our transgressions are afore thee, and make answere against vs. But doe not thou, Lord, behold the wickednes
h 2 Esd. 8. 26. 2. Esdr. 8. 27. of thy people: h but remember thy couenant which thou hast made with vs in the blud of thy Sonne: neither consider thou our wicked interprises, but haue in mind, that thy testimonies are pure among vs, and thy worde vndefiled. Thinke not vppon those that haue walked faignedlie before thee: but remēber them which according to thy will doe feare thee. Neither doe thou destroy thē which haue liued

liued beastly: look vpon them that not onlie teach, but obserue thy commandements. Take thou none indignation at them which are worse then beasts: but loue them alwaies that putte their trust in thy righteousnes and glory. For wee and our Fathers haue all the same sicknes: but because of vs sinners, thou shalt be called mercifull. For if thou hast mercie on vs, thou shalt bee called mercifull to vs, that haue no workes of righteousnes. And therefore bee thou mercifull vnto vs, ô Lord, for thy Name sake, and pardon al our transgressions, whereby most infinitly, we haue deserued thine everlasting displeasure. Let thine hand be ready to saue vs, that we may prefer thy commandements aboue all things, [i] and fulfill them without

i psal. 119 14.

without fingers. O Lord, k in
k Psal 77. 2. our troble do wee seeke thee,
our handes in this night sea-
son, are lifted vp to thee. Nei-
ther shal any thing be a cause
but that in this dark & dred-
full night, thou shalt lighten
and illuminate euery darke
corner of our habitatiō, that
our candles goe not out by
night. When we sit in darke-
l Micha. 7 8 nes l bring vs into the light,
m Mat 22 13. saue vs from vtter darkenes m
where is weeping and gnash-
ing of teth. Thou art the god
which giuest light to our can-
dle, lighten therefore our
n Psa. 13. 3 darknes, ô our God, n that we
sleepe not in death, and pro-
tect vs by the shadow of thine
o Esay 51. 16. hand, o that none euill sticke
to vs this night. Deliuer vs
p Psa. 91. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7 p and from the noisome pesti-
lence. Defend vs vnder thine

wings

wings, and vnder thy fethers wee ſhalbe ſafe. Let thy truth compaſſe vs like a ſhield, that we be not affraid for any terrour by night, nor yet, either for the peſtilence that walketh in darknes, or for the ſickenes that deſtroyeth at noonday. A thouſand ſhall fall beſide vs, and ten thouſand on our right hand, but it ſhal not come nigh vs. O Lord deliuer vs out of the hands of our enemies, q and ſaue vs from ſuch as perſecute our ſoules: they imagine wickednes in their chambers, they ſleepe not r except they haue done miſcheife, and ſleepe is taken from them, vntill they haue done harme. O Lord, keep vs, ô Lord, bee thou our defence ouer our right hand, that the Sunne parch vs not by daye, nor the Moone by night. The

q Pſa 21.8 Pſa.36.11

r Prou.4. 16.

Lord

Lord is our light, and our sa
uation, whome then shoulde
wee feare? The Lorde is the
strength of our life, of whom
then shoulde wee be affraide.
Though an hoste of men were
layd against vs; yet shall not
our hartes bee affraide, and
though the wicked shold rise
vp against vs to deuoure our
flesh; yet it shalbe our comfort
alway, that thou wilt hide vs
in thy Tabernacle in the euil
day, and defend vs in the se
create place of thy dwelling
through Christ our Lorde, A
men.

A PRAIER FOR TRVE *and vnfaigned repentance.*

a psl. 103. 8. Exo. 34. 6. O Lord God, which art ful
of compassion a & mer
cie

e, long ſuffering, & of great psa.8 6.5. 15
oodnes, thou continueſt thy Joel 2.13.
ercie for thouſandes, [b] ta- b Exo 20. 6.
ng away iniquitie, ſinnes, &
fences; thou calleſt vs after
y woonted mercie, by thy
ord to repentance, and har-
e conuerſion. For vnto all
nd euerie one is repentance
nd forgiuenes of ſins, [c] prea- c Luk.24. 47.
ed in thy name. Moreouer,
e know the riches of thy le-
itie, [d] patience, and long ſuf- d Rom.2. 4
ring in this, that thou doeſt 2.pet.3.9.
ot ſodainlie at vnwares take
way ſinners from the earth.
either ouerwhelme them by
nd by, through thy juſtice, in
heir wicked deeds doing; but
ueſt them a ſpace to repent;
hich is a moſt notable argu-
ent, that thou wilt not the
eath of a ſinner, [e] but rather e Eze.33. 11.
hat he be conuerted, & liue. 2 pet.3.9.
or thou art merciſull ouer
all,

all, becauſe thou canſt all, f
f Wiſ. 12. 16. diſſembleſt the ſinnes of me
for their amende ment. Tho
g Wiſ. 12. 13. loueſt all things that are, &
abhoreſt nothing which tho
haſt made, neither haſt tho
ordained any thinge, whic
thou doeſt hate, but ſpareſt
becauſe they are thine, ô Lo
louer of our ſoules. Therfo
do we certainlie beleeue th
the promiſe of reconciliatio
is vniuerſall, and belonge
to al conuerted. O how goo
& pleaſant is thy ſpirit, Lor
in all things, therefore do
thou many times puniſh ſu
as go aſtray, that beeing wa
ned of their faults, they m
depart from their wickedn
h Wiſ. 12. 20. h and beleeue in thee. Th
calleſt offenders into the w
by affliction, and by judgi
doſt thou by little and litt
giue place for amendem
kno

nowing [l] ful well, what the
eneration and corruption of
an is, and howe it may bee
educed. O thou masterer of
ower, with great moderati-
n doest thou judg mankind,
nd after this manner doest
hou teach the people, that
hey should be righteous, and
ast made them children of a
ood hope. [k] Moreouer, for a
aution, and instruction to vs
hou dost many waies [l] scorge
ur enemies, that thereby we
ay consider of thy goodnes
warde vs, and also beeing
dged, may trust in thy mer-
ie. Vnto thee, most mercifull
od, do we cry, which know-
st the hardnes of our harts,
nd that through Originall
nne, our harts being harde-
ed, [m] wee haue no power of
ur selues to returne and rise
p: Conuert vs, ô Lord, [n] and
we

[l] Wis. 12. 10.
[k] Wis. 12. 19.
[l] Wis. 12. 21.
[m] Rom. 5.

we ſhalbe conuerted, becau
thou art our God, and bei
conuerted, wee wil keepe t
ſtatutes; ſhew vs our offenc
that ſtriking our thighes w
may bee hartelie ſory, for o
ſinnes committed: Heale v
Lorde, and we ſhall be whol
ſaue vs and we ſhall be ſaue
o for thou art our praiſe. B
o Ier. 17. 14. hold we are as Sheepe p wa
p Pſa. 119 verce the laſt. dering and readie to perish
ſeeke thy ſeruants, ô Lord
that wee forget not thy com
mandements. Circumciſe t
q Ier. 4. 4. fore-skin q of our vnderſta
ding, that our harts bee n
hardened. O Ieſu Chriſt, lo
vpon vs with the eies of p
ty; euen as thou lookedſt b
r Luk. 7. 37. vpon the ſinfull Woman r
the banquet, which proſtr
ting her ſelfe at thy feet, b
terlie did bewaile her wicke
nes. Likewiſe fauor vs as th
di

didst the Publican, [s]standing far off in the Temple, without lifting vppe his eies vnto Heauen for shame, but striking his breast only said, Lord be merciful vnto me a sinner. Grant that among the feares and terrors of conscience, we may take holde of thee by a liuelie faith, (which hast redemed vs from the curse of the Law, [t]and art made for vs wisdome, [u]and righteousnes, and sanctification, and redemption,) and neuer in the sight of conscience, yeeld our selues, and despaire, but vpholden by the voice of thy Gospell, may fly vnto thee our mediator, & justified by faith [x] haue peace with God. Restore also in vs, the right of thy law, so that from our harts wee may obey thee our Redemer, walking in newnes of life. [y] Thou

[s] Luk. 18. 13.
[t] Gal. 3. 13.
[u] 1. Cor. 1. 30.
Iere. 23. 5. 6.
[x] Rom. 5. 1.
[y] Rom. 6. 4. Heb. 12. 1. Ephes. 4. 22. 23. 24.

which haſt ſuffered for vs in
the fleſh; [z] giue vs grace that
z 1.pet.4. 1.2. likewiſe in the ſame mind we
Col. 3. 5. Rom.6. may bee armed for the mor-
17. tification of the fleſhe, that
henceforth wee liue, not after
the luſts of men, but after the
will of God. For it is ſuffici-
ent for vs, [a] that we haue ſpent
a 1 pet.4. 3. the time that is paſt of the life
Ephe.4. 22. after the will of the Gentiles,
walking in wātonnes in luſts,
in exceſſe of wines, in exceſſe
of eating, in exceſſe of drink-
ing, and abhominable Idola-
b Rom.2. 5.4. try. Mollifie our harts [b] that
they may repent, and eſteeme
greatlie of the riches of thy
goodnes. More-ouer, repreſſe
hypocrits, which flatter their
affections, and extenuate the
inner euils ſticking in our na-
ture, and judge falſly of thy
lawe, not knowing that thy
c Rom.7. 14. lawe is ſpirituall, [c] accuſing

nen our inclination to bee e-
uill. Keepe the Diuell vnder,
that he compell not the trou-
bled conſciences of ſome, to
deſperatiõ, ether by heaping,
and reaping vp of their offen-
ces; or extenuating thy mercy
but grant that al ſinners may
com vnto thee by hearing thy
worde to repentaunce, [d] that
the Angels in heuen may con-
tinually haue occaſion to re-
ioice, Amen.

[d] Luk. 15. 7. 10.

A PRAIER FOR TRVE *Fayth.*

O Eternall God, and hea-
uenly Father, which [a] art
Alpha, & Omega, the begin-
ning and the ending: thou art
the cauſe, & abſolute perfecti-
on of our life and ſaluation:

[a] Reu. 1. 8.

the everlasting and infinite good, from whom proceedeth
b Iam. 1. 17. every b good giuing, and every perfect guift: to wit, from the Father of lightes, with whom is no variablenes, neither shadowing by turning. We beseech thee in the name of our Sauiour Christ thy Son that through thy holye Spirit, thou wilt plant in our harts a true knowledge of the same thy Sonne, and keepe vs therein evermore; and make it plentiful, and prosper every day, that replenished with the knowledg of thy wil, in all wisdome and spiritual vnderstanding, we may walke
c Phil. 1. 27. Col. 1. 10 Ephe. 4. 1 1. Thes. 2. 10. 1. Cor. 1. c worthie the Lord, pleasing thee in all things, being fruitfull in all good workes, and increasing in thy knowledg:
d Col. 1. 5. 11. d strengthened in all might, through his glorious power, vnto all patience,

ence, and long ſuffering with
oyfulnes: and may [e] abound
n faith, and word, and know-
edge, and all diligence. For
his cauſe we bowe our knees
vnto thee father of our Lord
Ieſus Chriſt (of whome is na-
med the whole familie in He-
uen and in Earth,) that thou
wilt grant according to the
riches of thy glorie, that wee
may be ſtrengthened by thy
holy Spirit into newe men:
that Chriſt may dwell in our
harts by faith, and being roo-
ted & grounded in loue, may
be able with al ſaints, to com-
prehend the true knowledge
of thine eſſence and will, ac-
cording vnto thy word reue-
led. No man [g] hath ſene thee,
O GOD, at any time; neither
hath any beheld the counte-
nance of thy majeſtie. For [h] no
man knoweth the Son which

e 2. Cor. 8.7.

f Ephe 3. 14.15.16 17.18.

g 1. Ioh. 4 12. 1. Tim. 6. 16. Exod. 33. 20.

h Mat. 11 27.

is of thy very ſubſtance, but
thou the Father alone, neither
hath any known thee, but the
Sonne; and hee to whome he
doth reueale thee. Wherfore
we beſeech thee of thine infi-
i Iohn. 6. 44. nit goodnes & mercie, i draw
vs vnto him, & let him bring
vs vnto thee. Giue the know-
k Luk. 1. 77. ledge k of Saluation vnto thy
people, by the remiſion of
their ſinnes, through thy ten-
der mercie: that in thy Sonne
l Ephe. 1. 7. l we may find righteouſnes, e-
uen remiſion of ſins, recon-
ciliation, and newnes of our
mindes through the holy ſpi-
rit, whereby wee may become
heires of Eternall life, beeing
juſtified by the grace of Chri-
m Tit. 3. 5 m in whom we beleeue, which
was offered for our ſins. For
he taking our puniſhment vp-
on himſelfe, did ſatisfie thy
juſtice fully, and waſhed vs by

his precious blood [n] from all our iniquities; and reconciled vs [o] in the body of his flesh thorough death, to make vs holie & blameless, and without fault in thy sight. Make vs therefore strong in faith, and constant to resist all the ingins of Satan; and proceeding from fayth to faith, to attain that righteousnes that is availeable before thee by the redemption [p] which is in Christ Iesu, whome thou hast appointed to be a reconciliatiō through faith in his blud, that justified by his grace, we may haue peace of conscience and free accesse vnto the Father. Holy and merciful God, wee humblie beeseech thee, which hast raised in vs, the sparckles of true faith, make perfect this good work which thou hast begunn in vs, and [q] finish

n Rom. 8. 5. o Col. 1. 21. 22

p Rom. 3. 24. 25.

finish, and bring it vntill the
day of our Lorde Iesu Christ,
whereby, abounding more &
more in knowledg, and in all
judgement, wee may allowe
the better, and be pure with-
out offence vntil that day, fil-
led with the fruites of righte-
ousnes, which are by Iesus
Christ vnto the glory & prais
of God. Wherfore apoint thy
strength, establish that ô God
which thou hast wrought in
vs: that fighting a good fight
wee may retaine faith and
good conscience, least vnder
persecutions and aduersities
being tossed, wee make ship-
wrack of our faith. Helpe our
weake and feeble faith, which
is like the graine of Mustard
seed within vs, that increasing
daylie more and more, it may
take deepe roote, and remain
firme alwaies & immouable

a pſal.68. 28.
f 1.Tim.1 18.19.
t Mat.17 20. Luk.17.6

& neuer vaniſh away, among ſo many ſects and diuiſions in this world. Extinguiſh all the doubtings of thy will, ſticking in our corrupt nature, let vs not miſtruſt thy promiſes of Eternall and temporal benefits, but applying thy promiſes vnto our ſelues, alwaies giue credit vnto thy worde, & ſoe depending wholly therevpon, contrarie to al ſence of humane reaſon, wee ſhall obteine a crowne of immortall glory. Grant likwiſe heauenly Father, [u] that our faith bee not barren, vaine, or deade, without good woorkes, and fruites [x] of the Spirit, but effectuall, working by charitie, that we may receiue [y] the end of our faith, euen the ſaluation of our ſoules, and behold thee, whome we nowe ſee by fayth, as it were, in a glaſſe darkelie,

u Iam. 2. 14.

x Ga. 5. 22

y 1. Pet. 1. 9.

darkly [z] in another worlde, looking vpon thy Maieſtie, face to face in Chriſt our Sauior, our Lord and God, Amen.

[z] 1. Cor. 13. 12.

A PRAIER FOR THE *Kingdome of God.*

MErcifull, and gratious God, which haſt called vs [a] vnto thy kingdome and glorie, and of thy Fatherlie & good pleaſure, enioyned vs this care, that firſt [b] and afore all things wee ſhoulde ſeeke thy Kingdome, and the righteouſnes thereof: We beſeech thee, through & for thy Sonne our Lord and Sauiour Chriſt his ſake, teache our weake minds, gouerne our will and harts, that, with out inuertinge this

[a] 1. Theſ. 2. 12.

[b] Mat. 6. 33.

this thine apointed order, we may first seke that thou maist shine within vs, apprehend thy righteousnes by a true & liuely faith, and be vnited vnto thee our Eternall King. Grant therfore that thy word may be preched euery where plainlie and purely without fraud, and that we [c] may cast down our imaginations; and euery high thing that is exalted against thy knowledge, & lead our vnderstanding captiue to the obedience of the word which thou hast deliuered: and obey the Gospell in all simplicitie of faith, according to the good pleasure of thy will, [d] to the praise of the glorie of thy grace. Assist vs, ô our Father, which art in Heauen, that both thy word may be purelie and sincerely preached, and we thereby, as becommeth

c 2. Cor. 10.5.

d Ephe 1. 6.

commeth the Sonnes of God reformed in our liues. Giue vs thine holy Spirit, that we may beleue thy word through thy grace, and so lead a godly & vertuous life in this world, and liue hereafter with thy sonne in eternal blisse. Breake thou off, and hinder all the consultations & deuises, both of the Diuell, the world, and the flesh, which doe neither sanctifie thy holy Name, nor suffer thy Kingdome to be brought vnto vs. Comfort & keepe vs strongly in thy word and faith, euen vntil our liues end, that so, both thy good & gratious will may be done in our harts, and they which as yet beleeue not thy word, by our good conuersation,[e] may be woon to thy Gospell, and glorifie thee our God, to the increase of thy celestiall kingdome.

e 1 pet. 2. 12. 1. Pe. 3. 16 Mat. 5. 16

dome. Make vs meet [f] to bee partakers of the inheritance of the Saints in light. Thou which haſt deliuered vs from the power of darknes, & tranſlated vs into the kingdome of thy beloued Son [g] in whom [h] we haue redéption through his blood, that is, the remiſſion of ſinnes, that wee may be grounded and eſtabliſhed in faith, and not mooued away from the hope of the Goſpel, but may walke [i] vnblameable and without fault in thy ſight as it becommeth the children of light, [k] walk in al go dlines and honeſtie. And for aſmuch as thy kingdome [l] is not meat nor drinke, neither conſiſteth in ceremonies, and traditions which are inuented by man, neither commeth it with obſeruations, [m] neither is it in worde, [n] but in righteouſnes and

f Col. 1. 12. 13.

g Mat. 3. 17.

h Mat. 17. 5. Heb. 1. 5. Col. 1. 14. 23.

i 1. Cor. 1 8. Ephe. 1. 4 Col. 1. 21

k 1. Tim. 2. 2.

l Rom. 14. 17.

m Luke 17. 20.

n 1. Cor. 4 20.

and peace, o & joy in the ho-
o Ro. 14. 17. ly Ghoſt, & p in power. Grant
p 1. Theſ. 1. 5. ô Eternall God, that we, be-
q 1. pet. 1. 23. ing born anew q by thy word
and holie Spirit, may attaine
r 1. pet. 1. 4. the inheritance r of Eternall
life, and lifting vpp our harts
ſ Col. 3. 1. 2. on high ſ where Chriſt ſitteth
at thy right hand, may ſet our
affections on things which ar
aboue, and not on things on
the Earth. Therefore be thou
preſent with vs in theſe latter
dayes of the world, and begin
thy kingdome in vs: proſper
the ſame with thy deuine aſſi-
ſtance, that wee may be con-
formable vnto thy godly ple-
ſure, purchaſing thy fauor in
this world, and afterwarde in
thy newe kingdome, in the
kingdome of Glorie, where
thou God art all in all, may
joyfullie remain with thee for
euermore. Graunt therefore
that

that wee may bee [t] poore in Spirit, in hart humble, sorrowfull in mind for our offences; and may withall our hartes hunger [u] & thirst after righteousnes. Make vs lowlie and curteous; liberal, and pittiful; pure in harte, and peacemakers; likewise in persecutions and troubles patient, that we neither take nor giue offence vnto any; but may exercise our selues in the woorks of Charitie, and of mercie, feeding the hungrie, [x] giuing drink to the thirstie, clothing the naked, [y] lodging strangers comforting the weake, and visiting the impriſoned. Finally of thine abundant mercie, grant, that in thy last judgment, we may heare that joyfull, and most comfortable voice of thy wel beloued Son saying, [z] inherit the kingdome pre-

t Mat. 5. 3. &c Luk. 6. 20.

u Math. 5 6. &c.

x Mat. 25. 35.

y Esai. 58. 7. Eze. 18.

z Mat. 25 34.

prepared for you, from the foundation of the worlde, Amen.

A THANKS-GIVING FOR *our Creation.*

OMoſt Heauenly Father, & Eternall God, which art neither made, nor begotten, but before all worldes from euerlaſting didſt beget a Sonne, an Image[a] of thine own ſubſtãce: we honor thee, wee praiſe thee, wee glorifie thee, we yeeld thee moſt harty thanks for all thy benefits, eſpecially, for creating the heuens, the Sunn,[b] Moone, and all the ſtarres by thy liuelie word, for gouerning through thy wiſdome, and for thy gratious maintaining them. The Sunne

a 2. Cor. 4. 4. Col. 1. 15

b 2. Eſd. 6. 4. 5. Gen. 1. 14. 15. 16, 17

Sun in his vprising doth manifest the day, [c] a wonderfull worke of the highest. Greate is the Lord, which hath made and commanded the same to take his course, from the top of Heauen vnto the end thereof. The ornament of Heauen by the glorious starres, the Lord on hie doth lighten the Worlde. At his commandement they keepe their order and will not faill, nor be weary in their watch. ô Lord, our God, [d] how wonderfull is thy Name in all the world? which hast set thy glorie aboue the heauens. Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings wilt thou bee praised, because of thine enemies; that thou maiest confound thine aduersary, & him which envieth thy renown. We see the workmanshippe of thine handes, the

[c] Eccle. 43.2a

[d] psal. 8.1

Moone

Moone & ſtarres which thou haſt ordained; and we wil ſignifie thy glorie, [c] vnto all nations, and among all people wil we declare thy wonderful things. For thou art mightie, O Lord, [f] and woorthy to bee praiſed, great is thy vertue, and thy power woonderfull. We thank thee, holie Father, God of Heauen, becauſe thou haſt created by the worde of power, the vniuerſall World, [g] with all the creatures, and what ſoeuer liueth or moueth in the ſame. By thy wiſdome thou doeſt gouerne, and by ſending of thy Spirite, as yet, doeſt vpholde and cheriſh the ſame. For all woods, [h] fruitfull trees, ſtones, graine, flowers, hearbes, and all the graſſe of the fielde, haſt thou ordayned for the vſe of man. Wee magnifie thee, O GOD, moſt wiſe,

c Pſal. 96. 3.
f Pſal. 96. 4. Eccle. 43. 29.
g Gen. 1. 2. &c. Heb. 1. 2. Pſal. 164. 1. &c.
h Gen. 2. 11. Pſal. 104. 14. 15.

wise, [i] for creating the Sea, and the springes of water, by the power of thy worde; and for giuing them virtue, to bring forth fishes of all kind, to bee eaten of man. We blesse thee, O eternall God, [k] for making the superiour and lower regions of the Aire; with all birds and feathered foules, of sundrie kindes, for the foode of man. We glorifie thee, for giuing the whole frame of this Earth, with all the creatures in the same, vnto man-kinde; and setting man [l] ouer the workes of thine handes, hast subjected all things vnder his feet. All sheepe and oxen, yea, and all the beasts of the field; the foules of the aire, and the fishe of the Sea, which walke through the paths of the sea: Especiallie we praise thee, our Lord and maker, for making vs

i Gen. 1. & 20. 21. Psal. 104. 25. 10.

k Ge. 1. 6 Esd. 6. 41.

l Psal. 8. 6. Psal. 8. 7. 8

m Gen.1.26. Gen.5.1. Gen.9.6. 2.Cor. 11.7. Col.3.10 vs thy creatures,[m] reasonable men, according vnto thy own similitude; for giuing vs reason, and all the senses; and for preseruing vs hitherto. Thou

n psal.22.9 diddest nourish vs, [n] and that woonderfullie, beeing within our mothers wombe; and out

o Ec.33.9 thereof, [o] hast thou brought vs sound in all parts without imperfection; and yet continuest thy fauour, and doest keepe vs against all daungers; and deliuerest vs from al euil: and all these things, dost thou of thy fatherly & diuin goodnes, without any merit or desert of ours: For all which, we are bound to thanke thee, to praise thee, to serue, honour, and obey thee. We extoll thy sacred Name, O God most high, for seperating from the

p Ge.2.3. Ex.20.11 Deu.5.14 rest, [p] a Sabboths day; that so men ceasing from their han-

die

die labour, the better might serue and celebrate thine honour. Who is he that can recite al the power of the lord? or declare al his works? Who cann number out all his praises? No man can vtter all his benefites: Notwithstanding, although wee bee miserable men, and wretched sinners, & therefore, most vnmeet to extoll thee according vnto thy deserts: yet will wee not bee still; wee will praise thee euermore, to the vttermost of our power. Wee will declare thy justice and mercie; and while we liue, wil we remember thy goodnes; at no time forgette thy benefites. O our soules praise the Lord; we will praise the Lord, during our life; wee wil sing to the Lord, while we haue breath. We wil be mind full of our maker, euen from our

q Psa. 106. 2
Eccle. 43. 30. 31.
r Psa. 146. 1. 2.

[f] Eccle. 13.15. our youth, [f] & ſeek him euer-
more: yea, euen vnto our old
age, [t] and gray head; O God,
[t] pſal.71. 18. forſake vs not, vntill we haue
declared thy power vnto all
nations, that are to come.
Praiſe the Lord, [u] all yee nati-
[u] Pſa.117 1.2. ons; praiſe him all ye people,
for his louing kindnes is great
towards vs, and his truth en-
dureth for euer. Praiſe ye the
Lord in his ſanctuarie; [x] praiſe
[x] Pſa.150 1.2.9. him in the firmament of his
power. Praiſe him in his migh-
tie acts: Praiſe him according
vnto his excellent greatneſſe.
Let euerie thinge that hath
breath, praiſe the Lord; praiſe
ye the Lord.

THANKES-GIVING FOR *our Redemption.*

O Ieſu Chriſt, Sonne of the [a] liuing God, whiche art the eternall worde, [b] that was in the beginning: the true & ſubſtauntiall image [c] of thine eternall Father; the character and brightnes of his glorie; begotten of him before all worlds; of one vndeuided eſſence; na, of like majeſty and equall glorie: We worſhippe thee, light of lights; very God of verie God, begotten, not made, of one ſubſtaunce with the Father, [d] by whome all things were made. We thank thee for all thy benefites generallie; and ſpecially, for that at an appointed time, [e] according to the eternal counſail & decree

a Mat. 16. 16.
Mat. 14. 33.
b Ioh. 1. 1
c 2. Cor. 4. 4.
d Col. 1. 16. Heb. 1. 10.
e Gal. 4. 4.

decree of the father; thou di
dest voluntarilie for vs m
and for our ſaluation, diſc
from heauen; and was inc
nate by the holie Ghoſt, b
of the vnſpotted & pure V
gine Marye; and trulie to
our fleſh vpon thee; and ſa
vs miſerable, wretched, a
damned ſinners; and deli
red vs from death, and po
f 1. pet. 1. 18. 19. of Sathan; f not with gold a
ſiluer, but by thine holie a
precious blood, and by thi
vndeſerued paſsion & dea
& that of thine infinit goo
nes and mercie, without a
merits or worthines of ou
For all which, wee yeeld th
moſt heartie thankes, as w
are bound: For thou alo
beeing juſt, haſt ſatisfied
thine obedience, the judg
ment of the Father: and
our behalfe, offering the
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crifice of thy bodie, haſt deli-
uered vs from the tyrannie of
death, whereby we were held
captiues. For ſo great was the
diſpleaſure of thy Father, a-
gainſt our ſins, that no crea-
ture could aſſwage the ſame,
but thou alone. O onely be-
gotten Son of God. ô Chriſt,
moſt mercifull God, how ine-
ſtimable is thy loue towards
all mankind? How infinit and
vnſpeakeable thy goodneſſe?
how woonderfull thy humi-
litie? For [g] thou beeing juſt,
diddeſt die and ſuffer for the
vnjuſt. A greater loue can no
man haue, then to giue his
life for his friende: But thou
commendeſt thine abundant
and moſt burning affection
towardes vs; in that, beeing
voyd [i] of all fault, thou woul-
deſt ſuffer death for our ſake,
beeing as yet ſtrangers, [k] and

[g] Rom. 5. 6. &c. 1. Pet. 3. 18.
[h] Ioh. 15. 13.
[i] 1. Pet. 2. 22. 2. Cor. 5. 21.
[k] Rom. 5. 6 Col. 1. 21.

thine enemies; and haſt reconciled vs by thy death, vnto thy Father; and appeaſed his moſt heauie diſpleaſure, forgiuing all our ſinnes, and cancelling the hand writing, which was againſt vs, which was contrary vnto vs, haſt taken it out of the way, and faſtened it vpon the Croſſe; and haſt ſpoiled principallities, & powers, and made a ſhewe of them openlie; triumphing ouer them by thy ſelfe; and by thy profitable riſing againe from the dead, haſt prepared our true righteouſnes, which conſiſteth in the forgiueneſſe of our ſinnes, and haſt made vs acceptable to thy Father: whereby, wee pleaſe him thorow our reconciliation; thou doeſt comfort our heartes, by the preaching of the Goſpell, which worketh in vs, the beginning

1 Colo. 2. 14. 15.

ginning of eternal life; and by thine holie Spirit, thou kindlest in vs, like motions vnto thy selfe; whereby wee please thy Father through thee and thine obedience. O Lord Iesu Christ, lambe of GOD, [m] which takest away the sinnes of the world, haue mercie vpon vs: Thou which sauest vs, through thine owne merite and virtue, grant vs thy grace that the fruite of thy most sacred passion, may worke effectuallie and profitablie within vs: Let not the labor which thou hast taken, and the pain that thou hast suffered for our redemption, be in vaine thorough our vnthankfulnes. O thou Eternall intercessour, word of God, and his [n] wisedome, which outwardly speakest vnto vs by the preaching of thy Gospell. Instruct in-

[m] Ioh. 2. 29.

[n] 1 Cor. 1. 23. &c.

wardly our troubled hearts by thy liuelie word, and effectuall consolation; that being mindfull of thy sacrifice, and suffering for our sinnes, we may feele true comfort, and peace of the holie Spirite in our hearts. Kindle in our breasts a liuelie faith, depending vpon thy benefites, that being deliuered from the fear of Hell, we may find [o] righteousnes in thee, and eternall life: For thou didst suffer [p] for our sinnes, and rise againe for our justification; that liuing, wee should hereafter, not liue to our selues, but vnto thee, which diedst and rose againe for vs. Grant therefore, [q] that likewise being quickened, we may rise againe from all our sinnes, and liue in thee, and may bee thine properlie abiding in thy Kingdome, and

[o] 2 Cor. 1. 30.
[p] Rom. 4. 25.
[q] 2 Cor. 5. 15. Rom. 6. 4.

may

may ſerue thee with a willing minde in righteouſnes, and true holines: ſo that at length in the latter day, we may riſe againe with our bodies, vnto a bleſſed life; and ſo, both in bodie and ſoule, being redeemed from all euils; in perpetuall bliſſe and happines, may triumph with all thine holie Angels, Patriarkes, Prophets, and all thine elect, and endued with vnſpeakeable, and euerlaſting joy, may prais thee our Sauior, which haſt aſcended aboue all the heauens, & ſitteſt at the right hande of GOD the Father almightie, with whome thou liueſt and raigneſt, for euermore, Amen

1 1. pet. 3. 21.

A THANKES-GIVING FOR *our Sanctification.*

O God the holie Ghoſt, [a] which proceedeſt from the father and the Sonne; and with them art worſhiped and glorified, in the vnitie [b] of the true and eternall Deitie; and art alſo the ſubſtantiall amitie betweene the Father and the Sonne. Wee worſhippe thee, wee praiſe thee, and glorifie thee; and with our whole hart we thanke thee, for all thy benefites: eſpeciallie, for calling vs by the voyce of the goſpel, [c] vnto the Chriſtian congregation; for illuminating vs with thy gifts; for ſanctifiyng vs with a ſteadfaſt faith, and for keeping vs hitherto in the ſame. For by the water of holie

a Ioh. 15. 26.
b 1. Iohn. 5. 7.
c 2. Tim. 1. 7. &c.

Baptiſme powred into vs, thou doeſt continuallie work in vs regeneration, [d] and renewing of the inwarde man. Harken we beſeech thee, vnto our ſupplication, & teach vs miſerable men, which by the proper ſtrength, of our onelie reaſon [e] canne by noe meanes truſt in, or approche to Chriſt our Lord & Sauior: teach vs, ô our God, what thy pleaſure is, and lead vs [f] into all truth. For [g] without thine aſſiſtance, none can ſay, that Ieſus is the Lorde. O bleſſed light, fill the inward partes of thy faithfull; for without thy grace, nothing is within man which is not hurtfull. Waſhe that is filthie; Water that is drie, heale that is wounded; bowe the obſtinate; cheeriſhe the frozen, & reclaime them which wander. Giue to thy faith-

d Tit. 3. 5.

e phil. 2. 13.

f Iohn. 16. 13.

g 1. Cor. 12. 3.

faithfull truſting in thee, th
rewarde of wel doing; the en
trance into happines, and e
uerlaſting comfort. Thou i
thy gifts, ſeuen-folde, whic
art the ſpirit of the Lord, th
ſpirit of wiſdome and vnder
ſtanding, the ſpirit of counſe
& ſtrength, the ſpirit of know
ledge, and of the feare of th
Lord: inſpire into vs through
the preaching of the Goſpel
thine heauenlie wiſdome a
bout thine eſſence and diuine
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tie: whoſe wil is, that not on
i Ezck. 33. 11. ſhould periſhe, i but bee con
-3. 21 uerted and liue: and that, a
man

many [k] as beleue in the same, should haue euerlasting life. For [l] the Father sent the Son, not to condemne the world: but that the world, through him might be saued. O lightner of the mind; power vpon vs thy newe light, and purge the horrible darkneſſe of our minds, so that we may see and know our chief father, whom [m] pure eies onely do beholde. O thou heauenly comforter, [n] giue vnto vs a testimonie, & graunt vnto our minds, a token of the certaintie of our beliefe, so that we doubt not, neither wauer, about thy diuine goodneſſe towardes vs. Make our harts quiet and secure, that with a full trust and confidence, [o] we may aproch to the throne of the heauenlie grace, receiuing [p] by Adoption, the right of childrē;

k Iohn 6 40.
l Io.3.17. Ioh.9 39. Iohn. 12. 47.
m Mat.5. 8.
psal. 24.4
n Ioh. 15 26. Iohn. 14. 26.
o Heb. 4. 16.
p Gal 4.5

faithfull trusting in thee, the rewarde of wel doing; the entrance into happines, and euerlasting comfort. Thou in thy gifts, seuen-folde, which art the spirit of the Lord, the spirit of wisdome and vnderstanding, the spirit of counsel & strength, the spirit of knowledge, and of the feare of the Lord: inspire into vs through the preaching of the Gospel thine heauenlie wisdome about thine essence and diuine pleasure, which is hidde from the worlde. Graunt that we may knowe the Father and the Sonne by thee, and may alwais beleeue that thou art the Spirit of them both, and so worshippe one God in Trinitie; and the Trinitie in Vnitie: whose wil is, that not one should perishe, but bee conuerted and liue: and that, a man

i Ezek. 33. 11. Eze. 3. 21

many [k] as beleue in the same, should haue euerlasting life. For [l] the Father sent the Son, not to condemne the world: but that the world, through him might be saued. O lightner of the mind; power vpon vs thy newe light, and purge the horrible darkneſſe of our minds, so that we may see and know our chief father, whom [m] pure eies onely do beholde. O thou heauenly comforter, [n] giue vnto vs a testimonie, & graunt vnto our minds, a token of the certaintie of our beliefe, so that we doubt not, neither wauer, about thy diuine goodneſſe towardes vs. Make our harts quiet and secure, that with a full trust and confidence, [o] we may aproch to the throne of the heauenlie grace, receiuing [p] by Adoption, the right of childrē;

k Iohn 6 40.
l Io.3.17. Ioh.9 39. Iohn. 12. 47.
m Mat.5. 8.
n Ioh. 15 26. Iohn. 14. 26.
o Heb. 4. 16.
p Gal 4.5

and inflamed with ſpirituall joy, in all boldnes and liber-
q Rom.8. 15. tie; q may cry, Abba Father.
r Epheſ.1. 13. 14. 2. Cor.5. 5. Thou which art the earneſt of r our inheritaunce, to the redemption of the promiſe, and are effectual by the word and Sacraments: Signe our hearts
s 2.Cor.2 22. Epheſ. 4. 3. with the ſeal s of thy promiſe; whereby, wee maye haue the ſame, & retain it ſurely in our
Iohn. 16. 7. heartes, through thy deede. Thou moſt faithful Aduocat, ſtrengthen vs, againſt all the aſſaultes and temptations of Sathan; ſo that, we may neuer doubt, of thy diuine prouiuidence and Predeſtination: whereby wee are choſen, and called in Chriſt vnto euerlaſting life; and neuer, beeing ſtroken with a ſeruile feare, & oppreſſed with dreadful doutings; may in a rage, flie and forſake our God. O ſurpaſſing comfor-

comforter, leaue vs not deſti-
tute of thine aide, and patro-
nage; but vouchſafe euer-
more to bee preſent with vs,
in our croſſes and rroubles,
leaſt otherwiſe we faint: But
rather, make vs to rejoyce in [u] Iam. 1. 2.12
tribulations; knowing [u] that
a crowne of life is laid vp for
ſuch as loue him. O thou tea-
cher of men, inſtruct vs how,
and what wee ought to pray
for, [x] according vnto thy wil, [x] Rom.8. 26.
that wee may be heard, [y] and [y] 1.Iohn. 5.14.
make thou interceſsion for
vs, with ſighs that cannot bee
expreſſed. O thou cleanſer of
the hart, giue vnto vs the ſim-
plicitie of mind, without gall
and bitternes; deſcendedſt [z] [z] Mat.3. 16. Marke.1. 10.
in Iordaine, vppon our Lorde
and Sauior Chriſt, in the like-
nes of a Doue, [a] that we may [a] Luk.3 22.
be voyd of [b] bitter enuie, and [b] Iam.3. 14.
contention in our hearts; and
haue

[b] Deu. 29. 18. haue no root [c] among vs, that
Act. 8. 23. bringeth forth gall & wormwoode. O thou ſubſtantiall flame, proceeding from the breaſt of the Father, and his eternall Sonne: Lighten our heartes, with the fire of chaſt & burning loue; thou which appeareddſt at the feaſt of Penticoſt vnto the Apoſtles, in clouen tongues, [d] like fire; See
[d] Act. 2. 3. vnto our coldneſſe, and comforte vs with thy quickening heat and breathings, that we
[e] 1. Ioh. 2 may receiue thy graces [e] and
20. 27. thy fauour. O thou gueſt of the ſoule, make thee a manſion place within the ſecreat parts of our hearts; that wee may be an houſe for thy diui-
[f] 1. Cor. 3 16. nitie, [f] which may dwell per-
1. Cor. 6. 19. petuallie in our members, & neuer depart from vs, throgh our Lord and Sauiour Chriſt, Amen.

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A THANKES-GIVING FOR *the knowledge of God.*

WE giue thee thanks O Father, Lorde of Heauen and Earth, [a] becauſe thou haſt hid the myſterie of thy word, which is the goſpel of our ſaluation by thy Son, from the wiſe, [b] and men of vnderſtanding in this world: and haſt reueiled the ſame, to babes of baſe degree. Certain lie, ſuche was thy good pleaſure; Thou haſt giuen vs all things in thy Sonne; [c] whome none knoweth, but thou Father; neither doth anie know thee, except thy Sonne, and he to whome thy Sonne ſhall reueale thee. [d] We worſhippe thee, we praiſe thee, we glorifie thee, we giue thee thanks, for

a Sirach. 10.4. Pſal. 47.2. 7.8.

b Mat. 18 25. 26.

c Rom. 8. 32.

d Mat. 7. 27.

e Ioh. 14. 6.7. for the hid wisdome e which thou dideſt determine before the worlde, for our glorye, which was neuer knowne to the Princes of this world, nor at any time to the Sonnes of men, as it is now reuealed by the Spirit, to knowe the communion of the miſtery, which f Col. 1. 26. was hid from all ages, f but it Rom. 16. 25. is now opened to thy Saints, Ephes. 3. 3 to whom thou wouldeſt haue Tit. 1. 3. made knowne, what bee the 1. Pet. 1. 20. riches of this glorious myſterie. It is thine own working, g Rom. 3. 24. and of thy free mercie, g that h Rom. 4. 13. 14 we are made heires h and partakers of the promis in Chriſt Ieſus thorough the Goſpell, which bringeth vs tydings, & aſſurance of the euerlaſting riches of thine infinite goodnes and mercie. Bleſſed bee i Ephes. 1. 3. God i euen the Father of our Lord Ieſu Chriſt, which hath bleſſed

bleſſed vs with all ſpirituall bleſſings in heauenlie things by Chriſt, and hath choſen vs in him, before the foundations of the worlde, that wee ſhould bee holie, [k] and without blame beefore him by loue, who hath predeſtinated vs, [l] to bee adopted through Ieſus Chriſt vnto him ſelfe, according to the good pleaſure of his will, whereby hee loueth vs in his beeloued, in whome wee haue redemption by his blood, euen the forgiuenes of ſinnes, according vnto the riches of his grace, wherein hee hath abounded toward vs, in all wiſdome and vnderſtanding, and hath opened vnto vs, the myſterie of his wil according to his good pleaſure, which hee hath purpoſed in himſelfe, euen vntill the diſpenſation of the fulnes

k 2. Tim. 1.9. Col. 1.22 Luk. 1.75
l Ephe. 1. 5.6. Eph. 1.7. 8.9. 10. 11.12.13

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of time, that he might gather in one, al things, which both are in Heauen, and which are in Earth, euen in Christ, by whome also wee are chosen when wee were predestinated according to the purpose of him, which maketh all things after the counsell of his own will, that wee might be to the praise of his glory, which hoping, haue beleeued in Christ when wee heard the word of truth, euen the Gospel of saluation. And this grace thou dideſt extend towarde vs, not by the woorkes of righteous-
m Tit. 3. 5 nes [m] which we had done, but according to thy mercy thou sauedst vs; and diddest call vs with an holie calling; not ac-
n 2. Tim. 1. 9. cording to our workes, [n] but according to thine own purpose and grace, which was giuen to vs through Christ before

fore all times, and is nowe made manifeſt by the appearing of our Sauior Ieſu Chriſt which hath abolliſhed death, and brought life and immortalitie vnto light through the Goſpell. To thee therefore, o which art of power to eſtabliſh our harts, according to the reuelation of the myſtery that was kept ſecret ſince the world began, (but nowe is opened, and publiſhed among all Nations by the Scriptures of the Prophets, at the commandment of the euerlaſting GOD, for the obedience of fayth,) to thee, wee ſay, God onelie wiſe, be praiſe through Ieſu Chriſt for euer, Amen. Wee beſeech thee that according to the operation, p and working of thy mightie power, we may continue conſtant in true fayth and wholſome doctrine,

o Rom. 16 25. 26. 27

p Ephe. 2. 19. Epheſ. 3. 7

doctrine, and at no time for-
ſake the wiſedome opened in
thy Goſpell; nor followe the
judgment of worldlie reaſon,
q Mat. 16. 17. and fleſhelie vnderſtanding, q
Iohn. 3. 31. which thou haſt beſotted, &
altogether confounded, in
ſearching thy hidden miſte-
ries. For that ſpirituall wiſe-
r Col. 1. 10. dome r doeth far exceede all
wiſdome and vnderſtanding
of the creatures, whereunto
fleſhe cannot attaine, neither
canne our blood reueale, nor
s 2 Cor. 2. 14. yet the natural man, s althogh
he be indued with gret ſharp-
nes of witte, and worldly vn-
derſtāding perceue the ſame.
Grant wee beſeech thee, that
wee may bee thy ſimple, and
t 2. Cor. 10. 5. little ones, t receiuing from
thee the word of truth, with-
out contradiction and diſpu-
tation, and that in the articles
of Fayth, we bring not fleſhly
wiſdome,

wiſedome, but, beeing made voyde of our proper vnderſtanding, maye bringe our mindes into a godlie captiuitie. Let thy Sonne, which deſcending from aboue, brogh̄t with him the eternall wiſedome of the Goſpel from thy boſome, and was made a Sacrifice on our beehalfe, but nowe exalted to thy righte hand, beſtoweth his guiftes; u let him, wee beeſeech thee, ſhine in our hartes. Likewiſe, cauſe thine holie Spirit to inſtill into vs his diuine lighte, and breath vpon vs the newe flame of thy heauenly knowledg, till departing into Eternall life, we may behold thee the onely and true God, face to face, which liueſt, & raigneſt in perpetuall glory, Amen.

u Ephe. 4. 8. Ephe. 4. 12. 1. Cor. 12 28.

A THANKS-GIVING TO *God for his mercies.*

O Moſte holie Trinnitie, which art the true and Eternall vnitie, of equall glorie and majeſtie, wee worſhip thee, we praiſe thee, we thank thee for all thy benefits, as it is truly meete, juſt, and good for vs, alwaies to giue thanks vnto thee.[a] O Lord, moſt holie, Eternal God, and almightie Father, thorough Chriſt our Lord; by whome Angells praiſe thee, Kings adore thee, and powers doe feare thee: the Heauens and Heauen of Heauens, yea the bleſſed Seraphins[b] with joye together, do magnifie thee, ſaying with humble confeſſion, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Saboth, the

[a] Pſa. 116 12. 13.

[b] Eſa. 6 2 Reu. 4. 8.

the whole world is full of thy glory. Especially at this time, O father most high, we thank thee for thy mercie abounding toward vs, which of thy great loue c wherewith thou louedst vs, yea when we were dead through sinne, diddest quicken vs together with our Sauiour Christ, and being raised with him, hath made vs to sit togither in heuenly things thereby to shewe to all ages hereafter, the exceeding riches of thy grace, thorough thy kindnes towarde vs in Iesus Christ. For by grace wee are saued through faith, and that not of our selues, it is the gift of God, not of workes, least any man shoulde boast. Besides, thou hast by thy holy Spirit, sealed and prepared vs vnto good workes, which thou diddest before ordaine,

c Ephe. 2. 4. 5.

that

that we might walk in the
and please thee in newe o
dience. Wee will remem
d Esai.63. the mercies of the Lord, d
7 and praise the Lorde for
that hee hath giuen vs. G
is thy mercie, O Lorde,
thy goodnes vncompara
toward vs. Who shalbe a
to expresse thy woorkes?
who can seek out the gro
e Eccles. of thy noble actes? e who
18.3.4.5. declare the power of thy
nes? or take vpon him to
out thy mercie? which is
and so infinit, that it can
ther be augmented, or di
f psa.103. nished. For f looke howe
11. the Heauen is in compa
of the Earth: so greate is
mercie towards them w
feare thee. And as far as
East is from the West: so f
hast thou set our sinnes
vs. For as a Father pitty

is owne Children, euen ſoe
t thou merciful to al which
are thee. Yea, though a mo-
her do forget hir infant, g & g Eſai. 49.
ke noe pittie on the Sonne 15.16.
her wombe, yet wilt not
hou forgette vs; for wee are
ritten vppon thine handes,
he mercie of the Lord is vn-
haungeable, infinite, and ne-
er faileth, h but dailie ariſeth h Lam. 3.
ewe and freſhe vpon vs. The 22.23.
erciful goodnes of the Lord
dureth for euer and euer,
pon thoſe which feare him, i pſa. 103
d his righteouſnes vppon 17.18.
hildrens Children, ſuch as
epe his couenants, & think
pon his commandements to
oe them. Thy mercie is on
uch as feare thee k from ge- k Luk. 1.
neration to generation. The 50.
l Eccl. 28
mercie that man hath, l reach- 12.
eth vnto his neighbour, but
he mercie of the Lord is vp-
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on all fleſhe, chaſtening, a
teaching, and nurturing: y
euen as a Sheepherd turn
Ecc'e.18.13. againe his flock, ſo doth he
them which receiue chaſ
ning, nurture, and doctri
Mercifull art thou vnto the
which receiue correction,
diligently ſeek after thy ind
ments. And although fo
m Eſai.54.7.8. while thou forſakeſt vs: y
afterward in much fauor v
thou gather vs together.
the time of thy wrath th
hiddeſt thy face from vs
a moment, but for al that
mercie toward vs is euer
ing. Bleſſed bee thy name,
GOD of our Fathers, wh
when thou art angrie, n ſhe
n Tob.13.2. eſt mercie, and in the time
trouble, forgiueſt the ſinn
of them which cal vpon the
This thy goodnes, and ou
abunding mercie, which ha

from the beginning, and
euer ſhall continue ouer
which vnfainedlie repent:
ner languiſhing or fayling,
abiding perfect alwais in
higheſt degree; wee will
raiſe and confeſſe thee from
generation to an other.
gracious and mercifull is
Lorde, patient, and long
ffering, o bent to ſhewe fa- o Exo.34.6.
our, and maruelouſlie gen- Pſal. 103.8.
towards all that call vpon
m: praiſe the Lord al ye He-
en, p and glorifie him al Na- p pſa.117.1.2.
ons. For his mercifull kind-
es is euer more and more to
arde vs. Wee will not keepe
cke thy louing mercie and
uth from the great congre-
ation; q withdraw not thou q pſa.40.10.11.
y mercies from vs. O Lord;
thy kindnes and truth al-
y preſerue vs. O let thy mer
ful kindnes be our comfort

r Psal. 11. 9. 76. [r] according to thy worde v
to thy seruants. O deale wi
s Psa. 140. 124. thy Seruaunts according t
thy great mercie, [s] and tea
vs thy statutes, that in li
maner wee may bee mercif
towarde all men without re
spect of persones, or hope o
gaine, willinglie without mo
rositie: that in thy judgme
t. Mat. 5. 7. 24. 44. [t] we may find mercie throug
the passion and death of th
Sonne Iesus Christ, which li
ueth and raigneth with the
in the vnitie of the holie Spi
rit, a God Worldes witho
end, Amen.

A THANKS-GIVING TO
God for outvvard maintenance.

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of glory, lord of h

en and Earth, becauſe thou
aſt from our youth to this
reſent houre, marueloulie
ouriſhed vs, giuing vs meat,
rinke, and clothing, with all
ther thinges pertaining to
he ſuſtentation of this our
ife: naked and bare came we
ut of our mothers wombes,
wee brought nothing into
he worlde, [b] but whatſoeuer
e haue thou gaueſt the ſame;
yea, it was afore wee were
orne; and in our Mothers
ombe diddeſt thou ordaine
hings neceſſary for this life,
nd ſuffereſt vs to enjoye all
hings abundantlie. Alwayes
hou haſt care of vs, as a Fa-
her hath of his childrē; [d] nei-
her art thou ignorant, that
we ſtand in need continually
of thy bleſſings, and daily are
deſtitute of newe releeſe: all
hich thou giueſt after thine

a Iob. 1. 21. Eccle. 5. 14. b 1. Tim. 6. 7. c 1 Cor 4 7.

d pſa. 103 13. Eſai. 49. 15.

woonted and vnspeakeable goodnes. Wee acknowledge that whatsoeuer wee haue, or possesse, it is thy guift; & confesse thee to be the fountaine of all good things, [e] and perceiue thy Fatherlie goodnes to be spread, not onely ouer all Mankinde, but also ouer the brute creatures, [f] thou giuest meate to all flesh; thou giuest fodder to the Cattell, and fedest the young Rauens that cal vpon thee. [g] For corporal goods are not distributed among men by chance, or without thy prouidence; neither bee they attained by the onelie industrie and power of man. [h] Thou giuest [i] and wee gather; thou opnest thy hand, and all liuing Creatures are filled with thy blessing. For without thee, all our endeuours be in vaine, and if thou blesse

e Iam. 1. 17.
f Psal. 36. 6.
g Psa. 145 9.
h Deu. 28 8. 11. 12.
i Psa. 104. 28.

bleſſe not our labors, wee do but beat the wind, & receiue no profit. Great is thy mercy; O Lord, which diſdaineſt not to prouide for ſinfull fleſh. O Lord our God, great are thy wonderous woorkes [k] which thou haſt done for vs, the which we cannot ſo much as in thought cõprehend, much leſſe in words expreſſe. When wee woulde report and vtter them, wee found them more then wee coulde recite. But notwithſtanding thine infinit benefits cannot bee comprehended of man: yet will wee not ſurceſſe to ſette forth thy praiſe, nor hide thy goodnes from the Sonnes of men, but will declare it, and ſpeake of thy truth from one generation to an other. Bleſſed art thou, ô our God, for euer & euer, [l] all that is either aboue in

k pſal. 40. 5.

l 1. Chro. 29. 10. 11. 12.

in the Heaueus, or in Earth beneath is thine. All thinges come from thee, & from thy handes wee receiue whatsoeuer we posſeſſe. And all theſe thinges of thy meere mercie without our merrits or worthines. Therfore we wil magnifie the Lorde which doeth mightie things in all the corners of the Earth, which doth nouriſh vs from our mothers wombes, [m] and giueſt vs all good things. Graunt vs likewiſe quietnes of minde, and peace in our time, that thy grace may abound towarde vs, continewe and defend vs while wee liue. O Almightie and mercifull Father, by thy breath wee tooke life, [n] the which thorough thy blesſing doth abide in vs. In thee wee liue, mooue, and haue our being. For man liueth not by bread

[m] pſa. 71. 6.

[n] Act. 17 25.

ead onelie, o or by his own o Deut. 8. 3.
ſdome and forcaſt, neither Mat. 4.4
t thou bound with a fatall Luke. 4.4
aine of ſecond cauſes, but
thy decree and will we en-
y life, and al things created
thy beck, do continue whil
ou thinkeſt good. Giue vs
t onlie ſtore of all thinges
the neceſsitie of our life:
t grant alſo to our meat &
inke virtue and power; to
eeue, and ſtrengthen our
odies. For thou alone vp-
uldeſt all thinges by thy
orde of power, p vnles thou p Heb. 1.3
ylie diddeſt feede vs with
y hidden grace, which thou
ſt inſpire into the bread to
ede vs, all the heapes of our
erelie increaſe were to ſmal
rpoſe. For be it, that there
abundance of wheat, wine
d of all other thinges, yet
les they be watered by thy

blesſing, quicklie woulde
come to nought, & we ſhou
periſh for want of foode in
that abundance. For all t
ſubſtance which wee poſſe
what is it without thou p
ſper & fructifie the ſame w
thy blesſing? And albeit w
q Mat. 4. 4. Deut. 8.3 feed on q bred: yet we aſcri
not our life to the virtue
the bread; neither is thy po
er tyed vnto the bread, n
mans life included within t
ſame, but altogether it
pendeth vppon thy will a
good pleaſure. Wee beeſee
thee for thy moſte large a
bountifull liberallitie, caſt
r Pſa. 71.6 not off, r in the time of o
old age; & when our ſtreng
faileth vs, forſake vs not. Li
wiſe confirme our fayth, th
we diſtruſt not thy promiſe
neither bee wee driuen fro
thee by any meanes, ſeei
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hey neuer ſo contrary to na-
urall cauſes. But giue grace,
hat wee may withdraw our
ies from all worldlie conſul-
tions, and, as touching our
ode, and other neceſſaries
or this life, may wholly de-
end vppon thee, and at noe
me goe beyond the limits
hich thou haſt preſcribed,
rough our Lord Ieſu Chriſt
hich liueth & raigneth with
ee for euermore, Amen.

A PRAIER FOR THE PRE-ſeruation of the Church.

O Celeſtiall God, and Fa-
ther of infinite mercie,
nd compaſſion, which not
nly gathereſt to thy ſelfe an
olie Church in this worlde
out of mankinde, through

2 Ioh. 17. 6 &c.

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Ghoſt, and preaching of th
worde, but alſo preſeru eſt th
ſame being gathered, and a
dorneſt it with all kinde o
temporall things, and, whic
more is, with eternall bliſſe
Wee humblie beeſeech thee
gratious Lorde, that of th
goodnes thou woldſt vouch
ſafe euermore to maintain
b.Luk.12 32. this thy little flocke, [b] embra
cing, preaching, and profe
ſing thy word, through thin
eſpeciall grace; continue th
fauour toward the ſame; kee
it in ſound doctrine, conſtan
confeſsing, in the lawefull v
of thine holie Sacraments, &
in purenes of life, that ne
e Mat.16 18. ther the Gates of Hell, [c] th
rage of Satan, nor yet the
gorouſnes & tyrannie of thi
world oppreſſe the ſame. Pro
d Mat.8. 26. tect, and keepe this [d] thy bo
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and little bark, toſſed among many perilous tempeſts, and miſerable Surges in the raging Sea of this troubleſome world, that it periſhe not being ouerwhelmed. Vpholde thy Church, which [c] is buil- [c] Mat. 16. 18.
ded vppon a ſure rocke, and dependeth vppon Chriſt, a ſound and immoouable foundation. O Lorde of Hoſts returne, [f] look down from Hea- [f] pſa. 80. 14. 15.
uen and behold, viſit thy vine and make it perfect, which thy right hand hath planted, and thou haſt choſen to thy ſelfe. Hedge the ſame about with thy ſtrong defence, that the braunches thereof being ſpread out, and pruned, may bring forth aboundance of fruite. Raiſe vppe thy power, come God, & ſaue vs. [g] Con- [g] pſa. 80. 7.
uert vs, ſhewe forth thy countenance, and wee ſhall bee ſaued.

ued. Encloſe thy ſheepe within thine Hurdles: ſo ſhall wee bee quiet from all inuaſions, and ſcatterings, neither [h] can any drawe vs by force out of thine hands. Defend vs from al ſuch as ſeek the vtter ouerthrowe of pure Religion; and in place thereof, labour to bring in the ſhamefull inſtauration of blaſphemous Idolatrie. Suffer not thy word, that moſt cleare and vnchangable light, to be corrupted or put out by our meanes, but gather to thy ſelfe through the ſound of the Goſpell, ſuch a Church as may harken vnto thee, honor and ſanctifie thy Name, as well in worde, as in honeſt conuerſation; and ſo thou maieſt haue a righteous and holy generation, celebrating thy goodnes for euermore. Ioyne vs [i] to that com-

[h] Ioh. 10. 28.

[i] Eſa. 6. 13

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panie which doth worshippe thee continuallie, that wee may be Citizens of thy Kingdome among thy Sainctes. Grant that wee erre not from the foundation of wholsome doctrine, aunswering to the rules of the Sacred Scripture; & that we offend not against our conscience, but seperate vs from the companie of vngodly ones, & from the damned crewe of the reprobate. Let vs not soe much as take their Names in our mouthes k which powre out heapes of blasphemies, to thy great dishonor, and defacing of the truth: vnto whome thy Son is a destruction l and stone of offence. For they despise his base estate, and the foolishe preaching m of thy Gospell, and the deformed shewe of the Churche, placed in the midst

k psal. 16. 4. Exo. 33 13.

l Luke. 2. 34. Rom. 9. 33.

m 1. Cor. 1. 18.

midst of all kinde of miseries, they loath and abhor, preferring vncertaine riches, Lordlie authoritie, and the vayne pleasures of this transitorie world, before the profession of the truth: and so, making war with thy Sonne, they doe purchase euerlasting destruction vnto them selues. Keepe vs euermore, that wee abide in that Church, which is trulie Catholike, consisting of members of many Nations, but linked vnto thee in one, & the same confession. Sanctifie vs with thine holie Spirit, that our sins being forgiuen, wee may take an other trade of life, in acknowledging thee
a Ioh. 17. 3. a to bee the onelie true God, and Iesus Christ whome thou hast sent. Giue to thy Church resting places, & nests, where they may founde thy Sacred Gospell,

Gospell, purelie without corruption. Suppresse the Diuell which spreadeth blasphemies against thy doctrine, that so, neither fained Gods, may be erected, nor superstitious invocations confirmed, nor thy glorie defaced. Weaken the power of thy enemies, which boyle in hatred against thy truth, and conspire the death of thine elect: so neither shall stables of Woolues be made, nor Dennes of Theeues established. O lord God, [o] return and quicken vs: soe shall thy people rejoice in thee. Let all such as trust in thee rejoyce, [p] and triumph for euer: dwell thou in them, and lette those which loue thy Name, rejoice in thee. O Lorde remember not our offences, thou which wast [q] sometimes mercifull, & forgauedst the wickednes of the

o psa. 85. 6.

p psa. 5. 11

q psa. 85. 1. 2. 3 4.

the people, & hiddeſt all their ſinnes, which withdreweſt all thine anger, & turnedſt from the fiercenes of thine indignation. Be mindefull of thine woonted mercie, and receiue vs into thy fauor. For we depend vpon thee alone, being deſtitute of all worldlie ayde, our truſt whollie is in thee, and all our confidence reſteth in thy ſtretched out arme; O Lorde, r couer vs with thy grace, as it were with a ſhield; that ſo wee may be bleſſed, & abiding in the houſe of thy congregation, may acknoweledge and call vpon thee according to thy worde, and praiſe thee euermore, throgh our Lord Ieſus Chriſt, Amen.

A PRAIER FOR THE AFflicted and perſecuted.

O Chriſt, Eternall GOD, which haſt commanded vs to denie our ſelues, [a] and daylie to take vpp our croſſe, and follow thee our Captain; and Maſter in much patience: For it cannot be auoided, but that all which deſire to liue godlie [b] in thee our Lorde, muſt ſuffer perſecution. And wee cannot be thy ſeruaunts and ſoldiers, vnleſſe wee can abide the perſecution of the greater part of Mankind. For Satan the Prince of the world [c] will neuer ſurceſſe from arming his Villains, with furiouſnes againſt thy members. [d] And it falleth out commonlie in this licentious wickednes of the worlde, that the godlie,

a Luk. 9. 23. 34. Mat. 16. 24. mark. 8. 34.

b 2. Tim. 3. 12

c Ioh. 14. 30.

d Ioh. 15. 20.

godlie, even through the zeal of righteousnes doe purchase to themselues the hatred of the wicked. Especially it is incident vnto Christians to bee abhorred of the Major parte of Mankinde. [e] For flesh in no case can away with the preaching of the Gospell, & none can well suffer the reprehension of their vices. Hence arise persecutions for the destruction of the godly, whereby in no place they canne be safe and secure, but their ends are sought by all kind of crueltie. Wherefore wee beseech thee, on the behalfe of al persecuted for rightousnes sake, [f] against whome despitefull wordes are vsed, and lyes inuented: and for as many as for thy Name-sake are detained in Prison, fettered, attainted before Counsells, [g] whipped,

e Ioh. 15. 18. 19. 20

f Mat. 5. 10. 1. Pet. 5. 14. 1. Pet 4. 14.

g Mat. 10 16. 17. 18

ped, brought before Kings & princes to bee torméted with exquisite and diuers punishements, for the confesion of true Religion: for such as are exiled from their natiue soyls [h] banished, spoyled of their good, abhorred of the world, tryed by tormentes, racked, hanged vpon Forkes, vppon Wheeles, killed by swordes, like sheepe for the slaughter, murthered, and throwne out to be deuoured of the Rauenous and cruel beasts for thy Gospells sake: [i] All these assist and lay to thine hand for our strengthening, that the glory and Spirit of God may reste vppon vs, [k] by whose consolation wee may suffer all troubles, and by an invincible corage gette the victorie in all these, and neuer fall from the hope of our saluation. Grant there-

h Heb. 11 35. &c. 2. Cor. 6. 4 5.

i 1 Pet. 4 14 Mar. 5. 19

k 1 Pet. 4 14.

therefore that wee may haue the teſtimony of a good conſcience, [l] knowing that we are puniſhed vndeſeruedlie, not as Murtherers, [m] or like theeues, or euill doers, or buſie bodies in other mens matters. And ſuffering as Chriſtians, let vs not bee aſhamed, but glorifie God on their behalfe. Giue vs grace to account it for exceeding joye, [n] when we fall into diuers tentations, and afflictions; and to glorifie thee therein. For affliction bringeth forth patience, patience, experience, experience, hope; and hope maketh not aſhamed. And let their example which before vs did ſuffer the like in their bodies, be a comfort vnto vs. For ſo did the vngodlie perſecute the Prophets [p] which were before vs. And eſpecial-

l 2. Cor. 1 21.
m 1. Pet. 4. 15.
n Iam. 1 2.
o Rom. 5. 3. 4. 5.
p Mat. 5. 12.

ie thy steppes which are left
o be followed q are aboue all
o be followed of vs: For thou
iddest say: r The Seruaunt is
ot greter then his Master; if
hey haue persecuted me; they
ill persecute you also. Final-
ie also giue grace, that, re-
pecting the vnspeakeable re-
arde, which of thine onelie
ercie diddest promise to all
hich perseuere to the end,
by thine assistance, we may
uercome al the grieuousnes
of affliction. For blessed doest
hou pronounce them which
uffer persecution for righte-
ousnes sake, t for theirs is the
kingdome of Heauen: that,
hen they are prooued, they
may receiue the crown of life
which thou hast promised to
uch as loue thee. Wherefore
ndue al in affliction with thy
ortitude from aboue, that
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q 1. Pet. 2. 21.
r Joh. 15. 20.
s Mat. 24. 13.
t Mat. 5. 10.
u Iam. 1. 12.

with a bolde and ſtoute cou-
rage they may rejoyce, [x] that
[x] Act. 5. 41. they are accounted woorthie
2. pet. 4. 13. to ſuffer ſhame, and all kinde
of affliction for thy Name.
Make them conſtant in the
[y] Rom. 8. 35. 36. true confeſſion, [y] that throgh
the conſideration of cruell pu
niſhement they departe not
from the Fayth, and forſake
the profeſſion of true Religi-
on. Likewiſe ſhew forth thine
Omnipotencie, and with thy
mightie hande deliuer them
from the power of Tyrantes;
from the mouthes of Lyons,
[z] Heb. 11. 33. [z] and violence of fier; And as
concerning ſuch, whoſe bodi-
lie deliuerance were not beſt;
but ar fitteſt for Martirdome;
thoſe ſtrengthen in the midſt
of paine, that they feare not
[a] Mat. 10. 28. ſuch as kill the bodie, [a] but
cannot kill the Soule; that be-
ing afflicted according to thy
will,

vil, they may commit the keping of their Soule vnto thee with well doing, [b] as vnto a faithful Creator; & so though they leese (as may seme) their soules in this world, yet shall they finde them safe, [c] and blessed in another life which is Eternal, [d] where thou liuest and raignest with the father, in the vnitie of the holie Spirit, a GOD for euermore, Amen.

b 1. Pet. 4 19.
c Mat. 16 25. Luk. 17. 13.
d Mat. 26 46. Ioh. 5. 29 Reu. 21. 4

A PRAIER FOR THE HEARERS *of the word of God.*

O Moste gratious GOD, which of thy meere compassion, and diuine pitty, hast purely and plainlie deliuered vnto vs thy healthfull word, which is, [a] the foode of our soules.

a Ioh. 6. 27. 48.

b Rom. 1. 16. 1. Cor. 1. 18. soules. For the Gospel is b the power of God vnto saluation to all beleeuers; euen as thy Sonne doeth say, c Blessed are c. Luk. 11 28. they which heare the worde of God and keepe it: Againe, d Iohn. 8. 51. d hee that keepeth my worde, shall not die eternally: Wee humblie beseech thee on the beehalfe of all the hearers of thy worde; Open our hartes, e Act. 16. 14. e vnlocke the eares of our vnderstanding, that hearing thy word profitablie, we may obserue, learne, & embrace such things as are necessarie to the confirming of our fayth, and amendement of life. Let thy f Col. 3. 16. worde therefore f abide plentifullie among vs in all wisedome; giue vs thine holy Spirit, that wee may heare Sermons, not as the wordes of g 1. Thes. 2. 13. men, g but as they are indeed h 1. Thes. 2. 12. the word of God; and h walk-

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ing woorthie the same, as becommeth the Sonns of God, may liue in all godlines [i] and honesty, vsing thy word preached vnto the edification of our consciences; to our instruction, to the comforte of our minds, & to the kindling of good motions, for the better seruing of thee in Christian patience: that wee be not idle hearers onelie, [k] but earnest followers of thy Word. Bring to passe, wee beeseech thee, O Lord, that the worde thy seede [l] may sticke in our harts, and take deepe roote: and that the dunging of our cold, and vnfruitfull ground may become profitable, let vs both outwardly embrace thy doctrine with a care, and inwardelie feele the operation thereof in our minds: and so, rushing out of the bowels of

i Iohn. 3. 10.

k Iam. 1. 22. Mat. 7. 21 Rom. 2. 13.

l Mat. 13. 8. 23 Luk. 8. 8. &c. 15.

the earth, and deliuered fro
tentation, bring our plentifu
fruite to the glory of thy ho
ly Name. Worke so within v
m Mar.4 that the Diuell m take not
15. way the seed of thy word sow
en in our harts: let it not wa
barren, neither let vs be for
n Iam. 1. 23. getfull, n nor like vnfruitfu
hearers, which heare thy ho
ly word to their judgment
greater condemnation. Fu
thermore, keep vs in thy fai
& feare, that come what cro
o Mat.13 ses o & aduersities there ca
21. we may continuallie stick v
to thee in al our miseries. Li
wise ayd vs, O God of our fa
uation, that the seede of th
p Luk 8. word be not choaked amo
14. vs through cares, p riches a
pleasures of this worlde. An
finallie assist vs, that we nee
bee found in the company
q 2.pet.3. 3. Mockers, q into whome th

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Diuell hath enterd, and blinded their minds, [r] & therfore make a ſcoffe at the preching of thy word, which [ſ] walking after the luſts and deſires of their owne fleſhe, do wrappe them-ſelues in the horrible confuſion of their owne deſires, and ſhamefull wickednes, whereby like mad men they caſt themſelues hedlong into euerlaſting deſtruction. O Chriſt, Son of God, fountaine of all mercie and compaſſion, which art the Lorde of the whole flock, and [t] chief Biſhop of our Soules, woorke thou effectually by thy Miniſters, ſpeake within vs vnto our harts the voice of thy Father: grant that we may truly diſcerne the ſame, and diſtinguiſhe it from the howling of Woolues. For [u] thy doctrine is pure, conuerting the ſouls;

1. Tim 4. 1.
r Ephe. 4. 17.
Rom. 1. 24.
ſ Iude. 1. 4. &c.
t 1. pet. 2. 25.
u Pſal. 19. 7

The teſtimonie of the Lord is ſure, and giueth wiſdome vnto the ſimple. Grant therfore that al of vs hearing thy word may receiue the ſame to our learning, amendemenr, comfort, and inſtruction, which is
x 2. Tim. 2.22. in righteouſnes,[x] & in an honeſt, & good conſcience, that hauing heard the ſame, wee
y Luk. 8, 15. may keepe it,[y] bringing forth
z Mat. 10 22. fruit with patience, and[z] continue in the ſame all our life
a Ephe. 4. 14. time, and neuer be toſſed and[a] caried about with euery wind of Doctrine. And thou holie Spirit, Eternall God, kindle our colde hartes with the fire of thy loue, cheeriſh vs with thine healthfull heate, and purge the filthines of our corrupted nature: keep vs in thy lap, and work within vs righteouſnes, and a life acceptable in thy ſight. Regenerate and

and transforme vs into newe men; make vs diligent in the ſtudy of thy worde; beat into our mindes a true feare, and loue of thy Name, that al vndeanes and ſuperfluitie [b] of Malice being caſt of, we may receiue with meekenes, thy word ingraffed, which is able to ſaue our Soules, in this world by inchoation, hereafter in full perfection, Amen. [b] Iam. 1. 21.

A PRAIER FOR A STED-faſt hope.

BLeſſed be God, [a] euen the Father of our Lorde Ieſus Chriſt, which according to his [a] boundant mercie [b] hath begotten vs again into a liuely hope, by the Reſurrection of his Sonne from the deade [a] 2. Cor. 1. 3. Epheſ. 1. 3. [b] 1. pet. 1. 3.

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to an inheritance immortall, and vndefiled, & that vadeth not away, reſerued in Heauen for ſuch as beeleeue on him, throgh the confeſſion of the truth, which is according to godlines, [c] vnder the hope of eternal life, which God, [d] that cannot lie, hath promiſed, before the world began. For we [e] are ſaued by hope. But hope that is ſeene, is no hope. For howe can a man hope for that which hee ſeeth? But if wee hope for that wee ſee not, we do with patience abide for it. For ſuch is the wil of almighty God, that we ſhal not haue Saluation, ſo long as wee are here in this world, but onely in hope, nouriſhing the ſame as it wer claſped in our arms: but then we ſhall perceiue the ſame indeed, when we depart from hence on day. For hope

c Tit. 1. 1.
d Nom. 23. 29.
e Rom. 8. 24. 25.

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is the vnseperable companion of Faith. For how can that be hoped for, which is not beleeued? And this hope depending vpon the promis of God is so certain, as if the thing it selfe were present. For God which hath promised vnto vs saluation, is truth, [f] and canne neither deceaue, nor bee deceaned. Wherfore we beseech thee ô eternall Father, author [g] of hope and comfort, fill vs with al joy and peace in beleeuing, that we may abound in hope, thorough the power of the holy Ghost, and aboue hope, [h] in hope beleeuing, may neuer doubt of thy promises, but in a sure cõfidence of hart, aply to our selues the remission of sinnes, and verely beleeue that we please thee through Christ, looking in a certaine and strong hope, by

f Iohn. 14 6. 16. 26.

g Ro. 15. 13.

h Rom. 4. 18.

ſufferance for the ſaluation of our ſouls in the life to come. And albeit the helpes of our happines appeare not in this world, yet let vs retain a ſtedfaſt hope among all the terrors and feares of conſcience; and neuer ſuffer the ſame to be taken frō vs, by any ſnares of Satan; but expecting[i] that bleſſed appearing of the glory of the mightie God, and of our Sauior Chriſt, which hath giuen himſelfe for vs, alwaies faſten the ſame vpō the good things abſent and to come. O thou only begotten Sonne of God which haſt loued vs,[k] & giuen vs euerlaſting comfort & hope through grace, comfort our hartes, and eſtabliſhe vs in euery worde and good worke; that wee ſtick not vncertaine, neither be toſſed betwene hope & feare, but may hold

i Tit. 2. 13

k 2. Theſ. 2. 16. 17.

hold fast [l] the confidence and the rejoycing of hope to the end; & that euery of vs [m] ſhew the ſame diligence to the full aſſurance of hope to the end; that wee be not ſlothfull but followers of all them, which through faith and patience, inherit the promiſes, vntill aproching [n] neer vnto thee our eternall God, we poſſeſſe that very happines indeede, which we nowe enjoy by fayth, and looke for in a certaine and ſtedfaſt hope. Aſſiſt vs likwiſe ô Almightie God, that in all the waues of tentations and troubles of this worlde, wee may patiently depend vppon thee, looking for corporall deliuerance according to thy will, [o] and though the ſame come not as wee wiſh, but be kept from vs for a ſeaſon: yet lette vs neuer doubt of thine ayd,

l Heb. 3. 6

m Heb. 6. 11. 12.

n Heb. 7. 19.

o Mat. 26. 36. 42.

ayd & deliuerance, but hope
p Hab.2.3. p that comming it will come,
and wil not ſtay. For thou art
faithful, and wilt not defraud
our deſire; neither ſuffer vs to
be fruſtrat; thou art not wont
to feede men with a vaine &
deceitfull hope, but ſomtime
by a little lingring, thou wilt
haue our fayth and hope, to
bee exerciſed thorough long
ſuffering of our warfare. For
when our tribulation is in
this world, our hope is touch
ing the world to come. And
certainly wee ſhoulde periſh,
did not the hope of an other
world comfort vs in the tro-
bles of this preſent life. And
therefore our joye is not yet
perfect, but in hope, which
deceiueth no man. Look back
ô ye Sonns of men, and mark
q Sirac.2. wel: q was there euer any con-
11. founded, that put his truſt in
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the Lord? Or who hath continued in his feare, and was forſaken? or whome did euer God deſpiſe that called vpon him? Our Fathers [r] truſted in thee, ô Lord, they truſted in thee, and thou haſt deliuered them: they called vpon thee and wer ſaued, they hoped in thee, and were not confounded. Therefore will wee alſo truſt in thee, ô Lord, ſo ſhall wee bee ſafe from all our Enemies. Bleſſed is the man, [ſ] which maketh the Lord his truſt, and regardeth not the proud, and ſuch as turn aſide vnto vanities. Why are ye ſad ô our ſoules, & vnquiet within vs? [t] Truſt in God; for wee will yet giue thanks, he is our preſent helpe and our God. Wee hope wee ſhall ſee the good things of the Lorde in the Land of the liuing. Look there-

[r] pſa'. 22. 4. 5.

[ſ] Pſal. 40. 4.

[t] pſa'. 34. 5. 11.

therefore for the Lord, deale manfullye, comforte your hartes, and ſuffer the Lorde:
u Lam. 3. 25. for u hee is good vnto them, which truſt in him. Grant al, ſo grace, ô moſte merciful God, that euerie one hauing
x 1. Ioh. 3. 3. x this ſame hope, may purge himſelfe, euen as thou art pure, through our Lord Ieſu Chriſt, Amen.

A PRAIER FOR CHRIſtian Patience.

OMnipotent and Eternall God, Father of our Lord Ieſus Chriſt, which art the comforte of the afflicted, the joye of the troubled, of the forlorne the ſtay, and our refuge in the time of trouble,
a Ro. 15. 5. the GOD of Patience a and conſola-

consolation: Thou knowest the weaknes of our flesh, that we are by nature fearfull, and of no courage, so that in crosses and calamities, we are not able to stande in our owne strength. Wherefore vnfainedlie, and from the hart, we cry vnto thee. Keepe vs vnder miseries and crosses, in Fayth sound, [b] stedfast in hope, & in patience constant, that with quiet minds, and valiant courage, wee may suffer all injuries and aduersitie; and neuer being broken with sorrowe, attempt that which is contrary to thy commandements, but by accknowledging thy will, beare all sortes of calamities, with calling for thine assistance; [c] Powr into vs godly cogitations, that wee may neuer imagine the miseries, and afflictions in this worlde

[b] Tit. 2. 2.

[c] psal. 50. 15.

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to light vpon vs by chance, & againſt thy will: but that the Churche is gouerned by thy prouidence, and without thy permiſſion, that none euill [d] (of puniſhment) commeth, but thou ſendeſt the ſame. Gouerne thou our mindes, that we may at no time imagine thee to be our Enemie, when we ar pinched with aduerſitie: but beleeue that wee are chaſtened of thy good & fatherlie purpoſe for the remnants of ſinne abiding in this corrupted nature of ours, thereby to bee ſtirred vppe, and confirmed in the exerciſes of contrition, Faith, Confeſſion, patience, and other like virtues. Certaine it is to bee accounted, for an exceeding benefit, that thou ſuffereſt not ſinners to folow their own minds; [e] but thou withdraweſt

d Amos 3. 6.

e Mrch. 6 14.

draweſt them by puniſhment from their impietie, leaſt that liuing after their own minds, and doing all thinges as they liſt, they periſh in their wickedneſſe: And therefore doeſt not thou wink alwaies at our ſinnes, O God, as thou doeſt at the offences of other Nations, which thou ſuffereſt to fill the meaſure of their iniquities, that ſo afterwarde at the ripenes of their offences, thou maiſt be reuenged vpon them, and deſtroye them vtterlie in the day of judgment and of reuengement: But our iniquities thou doeſt viſite by and by, with the rod of correction, and our wickedneſſe with the whippe of affliction. Notwithſtanding, thou wilt not vtterlie take away thy mercy from vs. Though thou puniſhedſt with aduerſity, yet 2. Mac. 6. 13.

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doest thou not forsake thy people. Furthermore, it is expedient that our coultish flesh be humbled and brought vnder, and kept in awe. [f] For otherwise hauing the head, it will wax ouerlustie, and cast of the yoke of the Lorde, being of it selfe slowe, [g] our life fraile, [h] and prosperitie wearying our minds, and making euen the wisest, [i] and most godlie many times sluggish & headie. But the troubled soule is nigh vnto thee in the crosse, and praier is then most effectuall, when it is exercised in affliction. [k] For the minde vtterlie destitute of all other helpe of second causes, whervnto it woulde easilie cleaue, then doth open it self before thee, and whollie dependeth vpon thee, not trusting in it selfe; but altogither in thee,

f Psa. 119. 67. 71.
g Rom. 7. 18. Galat. 5. 17.
h Psa. 144. 4.
i Psa. 119. 67.
k Psa. 50. 15.

O God, which raiſeſt the dead to life: and ſoe our faith is found more precious then any golde that periſheth, [m] to the praiſe and glorie of thy Name. Finallie, it behoooueth vs at the length, to bee conformed like the bodye of Chriſt in his paſsion, that ſuffering with him, we may alſo raigne together with him, [n] as his fellowe heires. For vnleſſe we be wearie of this life, [o] we ſhall not eaſilie aſpire to our celeſtiall countrie. For which cauſe it is thy wil, that by many tribulations, [p] wee muſt enter into the kingdom of Heuen. Wherefore, we beſeech thee, to giue vs godlie minds, that wee wonder not [q] when we are tryed by the fier, as though a ſtrange thing did happen vnto vs, but rather let vs rejoice, that we are partakers

l 2. Cor. 1. 9. m 1. pet. 1. 7.

n Rom. 8. 17.

o phil. 1. 23.

p Act. 14. 22.

q 1. pet. 4. 13. 14.

partakers of the afflictions of Christ, that when his glory appeareth, we may be merry & glad. Assist vs, that through
q Heb. 12. 1. 2. 3. patience q we may run to the battel that is before vs, looking vnto Iesus the Captaine, and finisher of our fayth, who for the joy that was sette before him, endured the most shamefull crosse: Let vs beare in minde, that hee endured such speaking against him of sinners, that wee shoulde not bee wearied and faint in our minds: but strengthned with
r Col. 1. 11. all might, r through thy glorious power vnto all patience & suffering, continue vnmouable in all tentations, neuer casting away our confidence,
s Heb. 10. 35. 36. s which hath a greate recompence appointed. For wee haue neede of patience, that after we haue done the will of God,

God, we may receiue the promise. For yet a verie little while,[u] and he that shal come will come, and will not tarie. O blessed God, and Father of our Lorde Iesus Christ, [x] which art the Father of mercie, and God of all consolation, comfort vs in all our afflictions, that as the afflictions of Christ do abound in vs, so withal by him, our consolation may abound, Amen.

[u] Hab. 2. 3. Heb. 10. 37. [x] 2. Cor. 1. 3.

A PRAIER FOR CHRISTIAN *Humilitie.*

O Almightie GOD, and most mercifull Father, King of Heauen and Earth, which hast greatlie commended vnto vs the virtue of true humility, without which non can

can pleaſe thee. For thou god
a psa.113 5.6.7. adwelleſt on high, and abaſeſt thy ſelfe to behold things in Heauen and Earth: thou raiſeſt the needy out of the duſt; and lifteſt vp the poore out of the dung; thou ſcattereſt
b Luk. 1. 51. 1.pet.5.5 Iam.4.6. the proud b in the imaginations of their owne harts, thou putteſt downe the mightie from their ſeate, and exalteſt them of lowe degree. Vnto thee, ô Lorde, doe wee make our complaint with our whol harts, beſeeching thee to inſtill in our mindes, the affection of true lowelines, that in the conſideration both of thy righteouſnes and majeſtie, & of our weaknes and imbecillity, we may feare thee alwais in our calling, & walke humbly, not aſpiring vnto higher things. O Chriſt, Sonn of the moſt highe, which was from euerlaſt-

euerlasting in the forme [c] of God, and thoghtest it no robery to bee equall with God thy Father, but madest thy self of no reputation, & tookest vppon thee the shape of a Seruant, [d] and was made like vnto men, and found in shape as a man, [e] thou didst humble thy selfe, and becamest obedient vnto death, euen the death of the Crosse. For euen of meere humilitie thou didst [f] debase thy self vnder al Angells and men, when thou flangedst thy selfe down from the higheſt top of Glorie to vtter shame, putting on our flesh, thy Majestie being hid and dissembled for a time: And soe becamest thou obedient vnto thy Father, not onelie in obeying him with greter reuerence then any other creature els did: but also in

c psal. 2. 6 7.
d Mat. 20 28.
e phil. 2. 8
f Heb. 2. 9

in offering vppe thy ſelfe a ſacrifice for ſinnes, thereby to redeme vs being bondſlaues thorough pride, vnto ſin and death, and to exalt vs to an hope of Eternall life; & withall, by thine example, to teach vs, and to propoſe an example of true lowlines, and humility, ſaying, g Learn of me, for I am meeke, and lowly in hart. We beſech thee throgh thine humilitie and pasſion, giue vnto vs a contrite ſpirit, a h contrite & humbled hart, which thou deſpiſeſt not, ô Lord. For thou art neere vnto all them i which are of a troubled harte, and wilt ſaue ſuch as are humble in ſpirit. Thou regardeſt their prayers, and giueſt to them thy grace, and thy ſecretes k are reuealed vnto the lowlie. Graunt therefore, that we following thy

g Mat. 11. 29.
h pſa. 51. 17.
i pſal. 34. 18.
k Sirac. 3. 20.

thy footsteppes, may humble our selues from the hart with out hypocrisie. Turne our harts, that they be not wickedlie humbled, [l] after the maner of hypocrites, which bow themselues, and are sad, casting down their faces towards the earth, whose inward parts not withstanding are full of deceit. O God, holy Ghost, which art the guider of our minds, and the giuer of good guifts; which not onely commendest vnto vs benignitie, [m] lowlines, modestie, and patience, but also commandest vs to haue those noble virtues that being clothed therwithal, we may endeuour to fashion our selues after thee, thinking modestlie and soberly of our selues. Gouerne thou our minds, that wee may be subiect one to an other, not only hono-

[l] Sirac. 19. 25.

[m] Col. 3. 12.

honoring, but also preueting
n Ro. 12. 10. &c. n one another in doeing the
phil. 2. 3. same; and alwaies applying
our selues to humilitie, may
seeke thy glory, and the pro-
fit of our neighbour. Let nei-
ther pride, o nor luxuriousnes
o Iob. 4. 13. &c. haue dominion either in our
sence or speech; neither let vs
lift vp our Peacockes fethers,
nor extoll our eie lids throgh
arrogancie, neither glorie in
proude and vaine opinions:
p. phil. 2. 3 p but by humblenes of mind,
submitting our selues one to
q Rom. 12 10. another, q may thinke others
better then our selues, & con-
sider what our condition is:
For man taken frō the Earth
must returne vnto the same,
r Sirach. 10. 12 and bee the heir r of wormes
and Serpents. Especiallie our
request is, that we be not puf-
fed vp in spirituall guifts, re-
mooue arrogancie and pride
from

from vs that our hartes [f]bee not lifted vp, nor yet our eies exalted; neither let vs wade in greater and higher things then becommeth vs; cause vs to frame and tame our minds like a Childe newlie weaned, which is lowlie with his Mother. Let our minds bee weaned lik a child [t] knowing not what pride meaneth. Keepe the proud Diuell vnder, that hee prouoke vs not to sinne, nor to swel vp throgh a vaine persuasion of fleshlie righteousnes; neither wickedly to boast of thy guiftes, abusing them to our owne glorie, and contempt of others. Suffer vs not to seme wise [u] in our own eies. Amend this vice ingrafted in vs by nature, that noe man loue or like himself toowell, and in respect of himself contemn others, hauing not

[f] Psa. 131. 1.

[t] Mat. 18 3.

[u] Esay 5. 21.

the like, or not ſo excellent gifts as hee hath. Suffer not good witts and teachers, armed with publike authority, to be pricked & tickled with the ſpurres of pride and curioſitie, to the moouing of Idle queſtions, and diſputations, either thorough ambition or hatred. For that is not the wiſdome deſcending from a-
x Iam. 3. 15.16. bone: but Earthlie, x ſenſuall, and diueliſh. For where emulation and ſtrife is, there is ſedition and all maner of evil
y pro.18. 12. pron. 29. 23. pro.22.4. Iam.4.6. Iob.5.11 workes. Grant therefore that all of vs beeing humble, may be exalted to eternal life, Amen.

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A PRAIER FOR ALL *ſorts of Perſons.*

O Eternall Father, Maker and gouernor of all the worlde, from the bottome of our harts, we thanke thee [a] in the Name of our Lorde Ieſus Chriſt, for that thou haſt not vtterlie caſt away mankinde hauing fallen from the ſtate of Paradiſe by ſinne, into euerlaſting dānation, as thou didſt the Diuells: but of thine vnſpeakable goodnes, throgh thy ſecrete counſel, wouldeſt needs, that thy Sonne ſhould take our fleſhe vppon him, be a mediator betweene thee & vs, and bee ſacrificed for our ſinnes. [b] For, thou wilte not the death of a ſinner, neither art thou delighted [c] in the de-

a Ephe. 5. 20.

b 1. Tim. 2. 5.

c Eze. 18 2. 3.

ſtruction of the wicked, but that he repent & liue. Again, thy Sonne came not to call the righteous, but ſinners to
d Mat. 9. 13. repentance. d Wee beſeech
e. Tim. 1. 13 thee on the behalfe of all ſinners, for all are in bondage to Sathan; and for as many as are ouerwhelmed in wickednes; grant them grace, merciful God, that they may eſcape the ſnares of the Diuell, and acknowledge their offences, ſtrike into them a feare of thy indignation, and paynes of Hell, that their minds be not
e Ephe. 4. 18. 19. darkened, e & ſo they become ſtrangers from the life of god thorough the ignorance that is in them; becauſe of the hardnes of their harte: and that they come not to that paſſe, that they forſake all ſorrowing, and ſo giue themſelues to commit wantonnes euen

with gredines; for they which break thy precepts wilfullie, and haue no feare nor feeling of thy judgments, but run on ſecurely, pleaſing themſelues, and taking pleaſure in their impietie; whoſe conſciences do ſoundlie ſleepe (the feare of thy judgment being clean extinguiſhed in them,) and proſtitute themſelues to all vncleannes, they heape vnto themſelues the wrath of God [f] according to their hardnes, and hartes which cannot repent, and giue themſelues ouer into reprobate mindes, [g] to doe thoſe thinges as be vncomely, beeing full of all vnrighteouſnes, fornication, wickednes, couetouſnes, malice, full of enuie, of murther, of debate, of deceipt; corrupted in manners, whiſperers; backbiters, haters of God,

f Rom. 2. 7.

g Rom 1. 28 29. Rom. 1. 30.

doers of wrong, proud boasters, inuenters of euil things desobedient to parents, without vnderstanding, breakers of promises, and far from all charitable affection, yea they giue themselues wholy to the
h Gal. 5. 15. workes of the flesh, h that so forgoing all sence of godlines, they may obstinatlie goe forwarde in wickednesse to their euerlasting perdition. Bring them, merciful God, to thy truth, & giue them grace vnfainedlie to repent, and to escape the snares of Sathan,
i 2. Tim. 2 26. i wherin they are intangled, and deceiued at his pleasure. Take away stubbornes, hardnes of their minde, and this damnable security, that wick-
k Wis. 2. 21. ednes k do not vtterlie blind them. Bestowe vpon them a newe hart, and put a new Spi-
l Ez. 11 19. rit within them, l take away that

that ſtonie hart out of their ſleſh, and giue them a fleſhie hart, and put thy Spirit within their breſts. Merciful God guide vs with thine holy Spirit, that bewailing our ſinnes euen from the bottom of our harts, we may fly to thine vnſpeakable mercy, which thou doeſt promiſe to as many as in fayth turne vnto thee: and laying away (as concerning their conuerſation in times paſt)[m] the old man, which is corrupt thorough the deceauable luſts, may be renued in the Spirit of our minds, and put on the newe man, which after God is created in righteouſnes and in true holines. Aſsiſt vs, ô God, that putting away lying, wee may ſpeake euery one the truthe to his Neighbour, becauſe wee are the members on of an other; and

Ezec. 36. 26. 27. Eſai. 44. 3 Ier. 32. 39

m Eph. 4. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 28

and in anger offend not. Let him that ſtoal, ſteal no more, but rather lette him labour, working with his handes the thing which is good, that hee may giue vnto him which needeth: Come into our hartes thorough thy worde, and by thy Spirit, begin a newe and holy life; ſtir vppe good motions agreeable to thy wil, and anſwering to the rule of thy word reuealed in the congregation. For thou God, [n] art rich towards, & ouer all that call vppon thee, and repent. Yea, it is not thy will that any of the leaſt ſhoulde periſhe, [o] but that all bee ſaued, [p] and come to the knowledg of the truth. And for this cauſe, no man, be he neuer ſo wicked, ought to deſpaire. For it is a true ſaying, [q] and by al means woorthy to be receiued, that

n Rom. 10. 12.

o Mat. 18 14.

p 1. Tim. 2.4.

2. Pet. 3.9

q 1. Tim. 1.15.

Chriſt

Christe Iesus came into the worlde to saue sinners; and so very many, beeing somtimes notable transgressours, haue attained mercie, for an example to such, as afterward shold beleeue on him to their euerlasting happines; Giue vs therfore ô moſt gentle God, penitent harts, that wee may thoroughly examine our wayes, and try them, and returne to thee, ô Lorde; lifting vppe our hartes, with our handes vnto thee which art in the heuens. Wee, which haue sinned and rebelled, with griefe and sorrowe of hart, acknowledge al our filthy faultes, and with a true fayth approch vnto the Throan of thy grace, trusting in the reconciliation made by thy Sonne our Propitiator, & raised vp in his faythfull and infallible promise, we purpos through

r Lam. 3. 40.41.42

through thine asſiſtance to begin a new life, to the glory & praiſe of thy ſacred Name, Amen.

A PRAIER FOR OVT WARD *maintenance in this life.*

OMnipotent, and Eternal Father, which haſt giuen to thy Church certaine promiſes of corporall thinges: [a] wee thy Children cry to thee for our daylie bread, [b] and els what pertaining to the ſuſtentation of our mortall bodies. Make our fields fertile, that the ſeed ſowen may come vp, and our grounde yeelde vs a joyfull harueſt. [c] Proſper thou the labors of all Artificers, & let their dooings take good ſucces. Bleſſe Lord, the works

a Iam. 1. 5.
Iam. 5. 14
Luk. 11. 9
b Mat. 6. 11.
Luk. 11. 3
c pſa. 6. 9. 10.
Deu. 28. 31.

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of our hands, our heardes of cattell [d] and flockes of ſheep, that they may proſper and increaſe, and we feele no barrenneſſe, deſolation nor decay. Send thy bleſsing into our barnes and ſtorehouſe, [e] for [f] it is the bleſsing of God that maketh rich, & cauſeth plentie: Except the Lorde build the houſe, [g] their labor is loſt that build it. It is but vaine for vs to riſe earlie, and late to take reſt, eating the bread of ſorrowe: For thou Lord, giueſt to thy beloued (ſleep they, wake they) much plenty, and all kind of happines. Make vs therfore, bountifull God, to looſe our nets in thy name, [h] and to doo the woorkes of our calling earneſtlie, with inuocation of thy diuine aſsiſtance, that by thy bleſsing wee may haue good

d Deu 28 4. Iſa. 144. 13.14.

e Deu. 28 8.

f pro. 10. 22.

g pſa. 127 1.2.

h Luk. 5. 5.

good ſucceſſe. Protect al waifairing men and traueilers, either ſailing by ſeas to farre countries, or iorneying by land for our common welfare, that they may ſafely returne home again. Take thou the defence of all Merchants with their goods and riches, [i] ſo ſhall they bee ſafe from all daungers: diſpoſe their minds and wits, that in their traffike, they may deale without fraude, couen, and abuſe of thy Name, meaſuring all things according to the rule of iuſtice, and thereby retain a good conſcience. [k] Make them to loue vertue, to keep promiſe, to obſerue conenants, that no man oppreſſe or circumuent his brother, [l] for God is the reuenger of all ſuch. Grant alſo to al buiers of villages, houſes, land, yokes

i Ezech. 27.27.&c

k Eccle. 13.25.

l 1. Theſ. 4.6. 1. Cor. 6.8.

yokes of oxen, that [m] for the the loue and desire of Earthlie riches, and filthie lucre, they forget not the kingdom of God, and soe make excuse that they cannot come to thy great and heauenlie Supper, wherevnto all men are called by thy Gospell. Let them not delight[n] in wrong doing and robberie. If riches increase, let not their harts be sett vpon them, but afore all things prouide for them selues the treasure [o] hid in the field, and the precious Iewell [p] of thy celestiall kingdome. To all workmen and laborers grant that they be faithfull in their busines: make them alsoe strong, aswell in bodye, as in judgment. Giue vs good seruaunts, vpright gouernours, an happie state of common weal, wholsome temperature of

m Luke. 14.18.19 20.

n psal.62. 10.

o Mat.13 44.

p Mat.13 45

of aire, health, peace, diſci-
pline, and ſuch like. Keepe
our minds from couetouſnes
q.Tim.6. which q is the root of all euil,
10. leſt beeing bewitched there-
withall, wee ſwarue from the
fayth; and wrap our ſelues in
many ſorrowes, but gouerne
vs by thy Spirit, that all our
r Mat.6. care r may bee caſt vpon thee
20.
Luke.12. our Father, and wee be con-
23. tent with daylie bread. Bleſſe
1 Tim.6. vs moreouer, that wee abuſe
19. not thy temporall benefites,
pſal.55. neither glut out ſelues with
23. meat and drink, to the ouer-
comming of our harts by ſur-
ſLuk,21. fetting and drunkennes, ſbut
34. may vſe thy bleſſings mode-
ratelie to our comfort. Giue
patience to the poore, that
they neither murmur againſt
thy will, and their condition;
neither enuie their betters, &
ſo offend thee, and break thy
comman-

commandements. Lette not rich men be either high minded, [t] or confident in vncertaine riches, but in thee the liuing God, (which giueſt to vs abundantlie all thinges to enjoy) that they do good, & be rich in good workes, that they be redy to giue, glad to diſtribute, and laying vpp in ſtore for themſelues a good foundation againſt the time to come, that they may obtaine eternal life. Two things wee doe require of thee our God, [u] deny them not before we dye. Remoue from vs vanitie and lies; giue vs neither pouertie nor riches, onelie grant vs things neceſſarie for this life, leaſt peraduenture being full, wee ſhould deny thee; and ſay, who is God? or being oppreſſed with pouertie wee fall to ſtealing, and take

[t] 1. Tim. 6 17. 18. 19

[u] pro. 30. 7. pro. 38. 9.

take the Name of thee our God in vaine, Amen.

A PRAIER AGAINST *desperation.*

O Most mercifull GOD, greatlie haue we sinned; a and alas, are guiltie of manifold crymes. For this cause diuerslye is our conscience clogged: so that we are wonderfully agast; beholding such bloody wounds of our souls. And albeit thy Gospell dayly dooth offer vnto vs in good sooth, forgiuenes of our sins b thorough thy meere grace: yet our fayth is maruelouslie weake, by reason of the infirmitie of our fleshe, and daylie batterings of Satan, which by craft, endeuoreth to pluck vs from

a Dan. 9. 8.

b Gal. 1. 7.

from all hope and consolation. Therefore vnto thee doe we cry. O most holie Father, and Eternall God, keepe vs in thy Name, that in tentation and extremities we neuer faint in courage. Moderate & mittigate our vexations, let them come to a joyfull end, that we fall not into the most hainous sinne of incredulity and despair. Comfort vs, that in the midst of death, we may trust in thee, the God of our life and righteousnes. Let vs neuer despaire of thy mercie and grace: nor thinke with Cain, [c] that blasphemous and cursed wretch, that our sins are more then may be forgiuen. O stay vs Lord, [d] according to thy word, and we shall be safe. Let vs alway beleeue that where sinne aboundeth [e] grace doth more abounde: and

c Gen. 4. 13.

d psal. 119. 117.

e Rom. 5. 20. 21.

and as ſinne hath raigned vnto death, ſo that grace dooth raigne through righteouſnes to eternal life by Ieſus Chriſt our Lord. O Chriſt Sauior of the world, and moſt gratious God, whoſe mercy commeth vpon vs like a ſtreame, & art the Eternall Orator, [f] which both outwardely talkeſt to mankind by thy Goſpell, and inwardlie in our hartes, inflameſt thy light which is true confeſsion, fayth, & comfort in thee: we beſeech thee from the bottome of our harts, encreaſe fayth, [g] eſtabliſh hope, and ſtrengthen patience within vs. For this certainlie is true, that one little drop of thy moſt facreed blood, ſhed for vs, is of more power to ſaue vs, then all our enormious, and manifolde ſinnes to condemne vs: Wherfore look back

[f] 1. Tim. 2.5.

[g] Luk. 17 5.

backe vppon vs, O Sauiour, with thy eie of mercie, as thou lookedst backe vppon Peter[h] in the hall of the high Priestes house, after hee had both renounced thee,[i] and curſed himſelf, leaſt through diffidence wee fall from thy grace, as Iudas the Traitour did, which hung himſelfe,[k] & afterward brake in the middeſt, whereby all his bowels guſhed out,[l] and ſo commit the like offence, and ſinne againſt the holie Ghoſt. O God the holy Ghoſt, be thou preſent with vs at our extreame neede, when the Deuils will accuſe vs, and our conſcience beare witneſſe againſt vs, when the cogitation of hel and death wil daunt vs, when we ſhall bee inuironed with horrible daungers and temptations, when the whole

h Luk. 22. 61.
i Mark. 14. 71.
k Mat. 27. 5.
l Act. 1. 18.

whole world will forſake vs, and all things ſet themſelues againſt vs: ſtrengthen our hearts, O comfortable ſpirit at that time, with the ſeale of thy teſtimonie, that vndoubtedlie wee may beleeue the forgiueneſſe of ſinnes, the reſurrection of the fleſh, and euerlaſting life; which ſhall bee giuen without faile to vs, and to all beleeuers. O bleſſed Trinitie, and eternall God of one eſſence, giue grace, that in euerie combat, and eſpecially at the point of death, being mindful of thy couenant made with vs at our chriſtening, and of thy moſt comfortable promiſe annexed: He which beleeueth, and is baptized, ſhall be ſaued[m]. We may neuer doubt, either of thy mercifull good will reward vs, or of the free remiſ-

[m] Mark. 16.16.

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sion of our sinnes: but, by the often remembring this signe and couenãt, may daily more and more bee confirmed in faith, and hope of perpetuall happinesse; and apply thy benefites, which certainly thou hast promised, and faithfully wilt perform vnto our selues. For thy promises made to such as beleeue and trust in thee, be not vaine and to no purpose. Likewise, vpholde our soules by the Sacrament of thy Supper, that strengthened with the seale of this new Testament, wee may bee the more certaine, and confirmed touching our reconciliation, & euerlasting righteousnesse, and alwaies beare it fixed in our mindes. For if the Testamẽt of a man[n] which is prooued after the death of the Testator, [o] be not smallie accoun-

[n] Gal. 3. 15

[o] Heb. 9. 16. 17.

accounted off, much more
o Heb 9. 16.17. should the last o Testament,
and holie Sacrament of our
Sauiour Christ, remaine pure
and in continuall force, and
remembrance. O blessed Tri-
nitie and eternall Vnitie, lift
vp our sorrowfull hearts, and
poure vpon vs the wholsome
comfort of heauenlie blisse,
at the point of death refresh
vs, with the sweet sight of thy
cheer full countenance, that
with exceeding ioy, wee may
p phil. 1.2 3. desire to depart, p & to come
into thy heauenlie house,
where thou liuest and raig-
nest, a God for euermore. A-
men.

A Praier

A PRAIER FOR *Magistrates.*

O Most mightie God, king of all the world, which by thy holie spirite hast commanded [a] that supplications, praiers, intercessions, and giving of thanks bee made for all men: for kinges, and for al that are in authority, which thou hast placed [b] to bee rulers of the earth according to thy good wisedome, and set in gouernment at thy good pleasure. For thou exaltest some vnto the top of honor, [c] and protectest their dignitie, (thou castest not down the mightie, which art mightie thy selfe) and placest kings in their throne. For all power [d] is from thee. We beseech

a 1. Tim. 2. 1. 1. Tim. 2. 2.

b Ec. 10. 4.

c Ios. 36 7.

d Rom. 13. 1. Wis. 6. 3.

seech thee therefore, euen with deepe sighes of heart, O Lord of lords, that forgiuing our sins, thou wouldest giue good rulers; and also maintaine their authoritie. For among men there is no place for law and iustice, where the Rulers and Princes whome thou hast appointed are not feared. Vphold all the states and gouerners of this realm, and protect them from destruction in these grieuous calamities, & miserable disorder of these latter daies. Especially, preserue our noble Queene, and her godlie Counsaile, grant them a long health full, and good life, that they may deuoutely serue thee, and iustlie doo their office. Lighten their mindes with the knowledge of thy sacred word, that they may deale

deale wisely, [c] and be learned which iudge the earth; seruing thee in feare, and reioycing in trembling. Let them imbrace discipline, and kisse the Sonne, the Sauiour of the world: least happily hee bee angrie, and they perish in the way. Blesse them, ô God, that they may alwaies hope in thee, [f] nourish thy Ministers, giue relieue vnto thy Gospel; and open their gates [g] that the King of glorie may come in, the Lord of power, which is mightie in battell. Giue them a care of godlines, that they may giue their goods to the erecting & cherishing of the Church; and shewe themselues Patrones and defenders of the same. Make them diligent in rooting out superstition, and in promoting thy kingdome, in

[c] psal. 2. 10.11.12

[f] Esay 49. 23.

[g] psal. 24. 7.8.

maintaining the puritie of doctrine, in remooving all offences; and finallie, in wiping away all filthines, which both defile thy religion, and deface thy glorie: that the commers after vs haue none occasion of transgressing. Blesse them with sober counsaile, wisedome, industrie, and [h] courage of mind. Giue thē good successe in all their enterprises, and prosper their dooings. Let them consider that they are placed to defend the good and innocent, and with seuere punishment [i] to correct the wicked and rebellious: so shall wickednesse [k] be taken from amoug vs, and the publike state remaine in safetie, to the preseruation of mankinde, and continuance, both of common and Christian peace, to

h Exo. 18 21.
i Rom 13 4.
k Deu. 13 11. Deut. 17. 13.

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the glorie of thy sacred Maiestie, and the commoditie of their subiects; to the rooting out of ignorance and errour, & to the furtherance of good Artes, honest trades and liberall studies. And forasmuch 1 as the heartes of Kinges, Queenes, and of all men are in thy hands, so that thou canst turne them at thy pleasure; we beseech thee, almightie and mercifull God, that it would please thee to turne from crueltie to clemencie, the mindes of all Tyrantes and vnmercifull Princes, that they mooue not war against thee rashlie, whereby the course of thy diuine word may be hindred, worldly substance wickedly consumed, and their subiectes polled vnreasonablie, & deuoured. But giue vnto all authoritie 1 pro. 21.

ritie quiet hearts, desirous of Christian concord, that they may remember they are the ministers of God, to maintaine his glorie, and to keepe their people from iniury and oppression; and beare the sworde [m] to take vengeance on them which doo euill, on the behalfe of God. For they rule not for their own cause, but for the publike welfare, neither may they doo what they list, but are bound to seeke the profite of their subiects, & to set forth the glorie of God. Let thē not therfore abuse their authoritie and power; but grant them grace to remember continually, that they are mortall men, whose Lord is in heauen which respecteth no person, [n] and afore whose iudgment seat [o] they must all appeare,

m Rom. 13.4.

n Ephe.6 9.

o Psa 97 2 Cor.5. 10.

and

& giue an account vnto thee, the true and righteous God, Rom. 14. 10. Iudge both of the quick and dead, which raigneſt and ruleſt for euermore. Amen. Wiſ. 6. 5.

A PRAIER FOR *Subiects.*

MOſt merciſull GOD, at thy beck do all thinges bowe, both in Heauen and Earth, at thy voice doe both winde [a] and ſeas obey, confeſſing thy Majeſtie. Euerie kne [b] boweth vnto thee, both of things in Heauen & things in Earth, and thinges vnder the Earth: meet it is alſo that wee obeye thee, which haſt commanded all ſubiectes, to giue due obedience [c] and reuerence, vnto their laweſull Magi-

a Mat. 8. 26. b Phil. 2. 10. Rom. 14. 11. Eſay. 45. 23. c Rom. 13. 1. 1. pet. 2. 13.

Magistrates. Which subjection thou hast injoyned vnto vs, not onlie to avoyd punishment, but especially to keepe & reteine a good conscience. For all authoritie is ordaind by thee, [d] that the world euery where may bee godly and quietlie gouerned. For much more safelie doe wee liue vnder lawes & judgement, then if euery man had the bridle at will to roame as he list: we beseech thee therfore ô Eter- God, that first of all in every thing, and in all thinges wee may obey thee, [e] our moste high and mightie God, King of the whole Worlde, before any creature, and that in true fayth and godlie feare. Next, [f] that all subjects and priuate persons, with all singlenes of hart in all thinges, which are not cõtrary to thy word, may obey

d Rom. 13.2.

e 1. Tim. 1.17.

f Ephe. 6. 15.

obey their publik Magiſtrat, hauing power and authoritie ouer them, and ſubmit themſelues g to euery ciuill ordinance, for thy ſake; not to the King onelie, as to the chiefe, but to other inferior officers ſent from him, for the puniſhment of euill doers, and for the praiſe of the good. Lette them alwaies remember, that this ſubjection & obedience, thou requireſt to be ſhowne, as to thine owne ordinance, whereby the ſafety of mankinde is maintained. Wherefore bend thou our harts, and guide them, that we enuy not the honor due to our ſuperiors; neither obray or backbit them; but rather honoring them moſt duetifullie, may both pray h for them, & pray with willing mindes, whatſoeuer by the ciuill Lawe, and

g 2. pet. 2. 13. 14.

h 1. Tim. 2. 1.

by nature wee are bounde to doe. Bee it far from vs, ô Almightie God, that any of vs
i Exo. 22. 28. Act. 23. 5. should despise, raile, [i] or in his hart wish euil vnto his Prince, or superiours. For thou hast vouchsafed them the title of
k Psal. 82. 6. Gods [k] in the holy scriptures; because they rule in thy steed here on the Earth. Hence it is that whosoeuer resist their su-
l Rom. 13. 2. periors, [l] and forsake the yoke of obedience: are said to resist thine ordinance, and shall receue to themselues judgment running into the fowle crime of treason against thy sacred person, & staining their conscience with the filthie spotte of obstinacy & disobedience, giuing an occasion vnto the wicked to slander thy gospel.
1 Grant also that inferiors, and subjectes bee not burdened with ouer great and new acti-

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ons, vnlawfull payments, and intollerable tributes, neither oppreſſed with grieuous ſeruitude, or pilled by any other violence, or tyrannie. And if in any place, Lyons & wolues ſhewe their crueltie towardes thy ſeruants, their godly ſubjects, plucking their skinnes [m] from them, breaking of their bones, and deuouring thy people none otherwiſe, then if they ſhould eat bread: [n] giue patience vnto thine afflicted members, that they may quietly ſuſteine their miſerable ſeruitude, as a Croſſe ſent from thee [o] for a tryal of their faith and patience. Ayd vs with thy comfort, wherby we may with patient mindes ſuffer the troubles which in this laſt & doting age of this world more & more increaſe; remembring that thou God, haſt

m Micha. 3.2.

n pſal. 14 4.

o 1.pet.1 7.

Wiſ. 3.5. Deu. 8.2. Ecc. 2.5. Pro. 17.3.

p psal. 9. 7.8.9. haſt prepared thy throne p in judgement to judg the world in equitie, & thy people with righteouſnes: to bee a refuge for the poore, and an helper in due time, euen in affliction.

q psal. 9. 18. For q the poore ſhall not all be forgotten: the hope of the afflicted ſhall not periſhe for euer. Wherefore liſten thou vnto the prayer and ſighes of thy ſeruants which cry vnto thee, and aide them as thou diddſt the children of Iſraell, whoſe miſery, calamities, and bondage thou didſt beholde,

s Exod. 3. 7.8. t deliuering them from the grieuous ſeruitude of Ægypt: and bringing them out of the

s Deut. 4. 20. yron fornace s of Pharao, by thy mightie & ſtretched out arme. Keepe vs alſo from vngodlie and Idolatrous Magiſtrates, that wee be not vnder the yoke, and gouernment of

Infidels

Infidels and Ethnikes, which wil be vnto vs and our posteritie in steede of thornes and prickes, [t] offering continuall occasions of Apostacie, and reuolting from true Religion. Suffer not the rod of the wicked [u] to rest vppon the lot of the righteous, lest the righteous put forth their hande vnto wickednes. Break in peces the scepters of the wicked and [x] deliuer vs from the yok of sinne, that we offer not our members as instruments of vnrighteousnes, & that wickednes raigne not in our mortal bodies, to the suppressing of the soule and bodie, which liuest and raignest in all eternitie, Amen.

t Iosu. 23. 13.

u psal. 125 3.

x Rom. 6. 22.

A PRAIER FOR *Captiues.*

O Lorde our gouernour, thou haſt prepared thy
a pſa. 103 19. ſeat in the heuens,[a] thy king-
b pſ. 145. 13 dom[b] is an euerlaſting king-
Dan. 7. 14 dome, and thy dominion en-
Luk. 1. 33. dureth throughout all ages. In thine hand is ſtrength and authoritie: non can reſiſt thy power. Wee beſeech thee be mercifull vnto all in captiuitie, and oppreſſed with moſt grieuous ſlauerie: eſpeciallie vnto ſuch as for the confeſſion of thy Goſpell, doe ſuffer perſecution, banniſhmēt, impriſonment, perills of life, of good name, and of goods, comfort them with thy ſpirit deliuer thē from cruel bonds by thy deuine power, and grant

grant ſuch lawfull meanes according to thy wiſdom, [e] that thy faythfull may bee deliuered. O Lord, bring home thy captiues, exiled for thy name ſake, [d] that they may confeſſe thee, and extoll thy goodnes. O that God would heare the mornings of the impriſoned, [e] and deliuer the children of death: O that God woulde bring home the captiuitie of his people: then ſhould we be like ſuch as dreame; [f] and our mouthes ſhoulde bee filled with laughter, and our toung with joy. Then ſhoulde they ſay among the Gentiles, the Lord hath done great things for them; yea, the Lorde hath delt marueloulſie with vs, we are made jocund. Turn again our captiuitie, O Lord, as the riuers in the South. For thou alone art our aſſiſter, of whó com-

e pſa. 147 5.
d Eſa. 11. 11.
e pſ. 102. 20.
f pſ. 126. 1. 2. 3. pſal. 126. 4.

g Psal. 68. 20. commeth saluation, g thou deliuereſt ſuch as are bound by thy power, and deſpiſeſt not the groninges of the afflicted. Praiſed be the Lord, euen the God of our ſaluation, who deliuereſt vs, and letteſt looſe thy Captiues, and that h Esai. 45 13. without gifts or reward, h frelie for thy holy Name-ſake. Therefore ſhall all the people worſhip thee ô Lord, and pray vnto thee: for thou ſayeſt vnto the bound; Come out, and to thoſe that ſit in darcknes, come to light. O lord, call into minde thy manifolde mer- i Dan. 9. 16. cies; i deale with vs according to thy wonted goodnes, and giue not thy inheritance into the handes of thine Enemies, leſt they make ſale of vs and ſpoile our Land. Forgiue our ſinns and tranſgreſsions, let not alience haue dominion

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on ouer vs, [k] neither let our houses passe vnto strangers; let vs not bee as exiles, and Pupills without a Father; neither our mothers as widows without husbands, lette not our ould men bee wanting in our Portes; nor yet our Cuntry lament for the wast which the Enemie wold make. Heal the sorrowes of the daughter of thy people, and be mercifull to our sinnes; for the glory of thy Name-sake. Breake thou the chaines of the imprisoned, and deliuer such as are bounde with manacles & fetters; cast of their yoke that they may praise thee for euer. Bring them out of darkenes, [l] and the shadowe of death: Breake the gates of Brasse, & smite the Barres of yron in sunder, that they may knowe that thou art their lord, when thou

[k] Lam. 5. 7. &c.

[l] Psa. 107 14. 16.

thou haſt broken the cordes
m Ezec. 34.27. of their yoke,[m] and deliuered them out of the handes of thoſe that ſerued themſelues of them. But if it bee thy wil, for the tryall of their fayth & patience, to detaine ſome in Exile and ſeruitude a longer time: then comfort ſuch with thy Spirit, and mittigate their paines, that they may finde
n Baruc. 2.12. fauour in the ſight of them[n] whom they are compelled to
o Pſal. 44. 23. ſerue, & caſt them not of for euer. [o] Aboue all, keep the confeſion of true fayth and chriſtian Religion againſt all falſe woorſhippings, that ſoe they may comforte thẽſelues with the gratious pardoning of their ſinnes throgh Chriſt, and in their harts may be ſe-
p Gal. 4. 5.6. Rom. 8. 14.15. led with the erneſt of thy holie Spirit, [p] bearing witnes to their Spirits, that they are deliuered

liuered from perpetuall captiuitie and bondage of Hell. O Christ, our Redeemer, deliuer our soules from the perpetuall chaines of darknes, & snares of death, which sufferedst thy selfe to bee bound, that thou mightest vnloose the most hard bands & knots of our transgressions: and was sent of thine Eternal Father into this world to preach libertie vnto captiues, [q] and deliuerance to all such as are shut vp. Grant that being intangled with the cords of iniquitie, we giue not our members as weapons of vnrighteousnes vnto sinne. [r] Breake in peeces the chaines of Sathan, and turne vs into thy flocke, that no vnrighteousnes haue dominion ouer vs. Deliuer him that is in bondage vnto Sathan, and bring forth the bound

q Esay. 61 1.

r Rom. 6. 13. 14.

bounde by the blood of thy couenāt, out of the pit wher-
[f] Zach. 9. 21. in is no water, [f] that he ſpoyll and kil vs not. Giue grace alſo, that beeing ſnarled with humane traditions, [t] wee en-
[t] Col. 2. 8 trap not our conſciences by falſe opinions: but may ſerue thee our true God in Chriſtian libertie, and neuer abuſe the ſame to the offence of any. Take vs miſerable men out of the body of this death [u] which maketh vs Captiues
[u] Rom. 7. 14. 23. to the lawe of ſinne, which is in our members, that is deliuered from ſinne and death, we may ſerue thee in true vprightnes and euerlaſting life, which raigneſt for euer, one God in the Trinnitie of perſons, Amen.

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A PRAIER AGAINST THE tentations of Sathan.

O Moſt heauenlie Father, and Eternall God, vnto thee do wee cry, protect and ſtrengthen vs weake and feeble ones, againſt the tentations of Sathan, which is the ſworne and extreame enemie to mans ſaluatiō, [a] a ſlanderer, and our accuſer, that greate Dragon, the olde Serpent, which is called the Diuell, carying away the whole world, a coſener and wicked Spirit, a deceauer, which goeth about like a roaring Lyon [b] ſeeking whome he may deuour. And eſpeciallie in this doting age of the world, as he knoweth his time of raigning is but ſhorte, [c] and perceauerh the

a Reue. 3. 10.

b Reuel. 9. 8.

c Reuel. 12. 12.

the day of judgment to be very nigh at hand, wherein his filthines ſhall be made manifeſt to all creatures, to his euerlaſting torments: ſo nowe he rageth and raungeth in a deadlie hatred againſt thy flock, and by all meanes ſeeketh the deſtruction of al mankind diuers waies, and by vnſpeakable ſubtiltie dooth lay ſnares to entrap our ſoules; egerlie doth he beſet vs, and al his power and pollicie dooth he powre out againſt vs: and hee prieth for any occaſion, whereby hee may allure vs to ſhamefull offending, and ſo at the lengh, horribly to caſt vs headlong into extreame deſperation. For as many corporal affections as be in man, ſo many occaſions dooth hee take to tempt vs, thereby to wound vs, or at leaſt to hurte

vs with one pricke or other. He layeth snares to take vs in wealth, in pouertie, in pleasure, and in the inticementes of the flesh, in anguishe of mind, in ambition and desire of glorie, in the wearisomnes of our calling and inferiour condition; in cares, both for the backe and bellie, in couetousnesse and loue of money, in lust of reuenge. He tickles some with a desire of glorie and promotion, [d] he imprinteth in other a vaine of curiositie and pride, [e] in others hee instilleth suspitions and doubtings of thy diuine will, and prouidence: [f] hee bloweth into others a perswasion of wisdome and knowledge: [g] some he carieth away in securitie: [h] night & day, whether we sleepe or wake hee is about vs, [i] and with foming mouth

d Mat. 20 21. 24. Luke. 22. 25.
e Mat. 9. 11. Mat. 12. 38.
f Mat. 22. 23. &c.
g Mat. 6, 24. 25. &c
g 1. Cor. 8 1.
h Mat. 25. 28. &c.
i 1. pet. 5. 8.

mouth, and open iawes, neither to deuoure vs,[k] that our senses may bee corrupted frō the simplicitie, which we owe to Christ, euen as the Serpent deceiued Euah by his subtiltie. O God, who is able to fly away; or to persist against so diuers strokes and assaults of the Diuell; vnles thou, ô most mightie protector, defend vs, alasse, wee perishe. For thou knowest we are too weake to resist, no strength is in vs, no ayde, prudence, or pollicie is in our natur against so strong & subtill an Enemie. Behold our nature is accursed and vncleane,[l] our flesh is weake,[m] our life transitorie;[n] and wee alasse therefore, bee cowards and without armor, giuen to sleepe and slothfulnes,[o] and endeuour not coragiously to withstand the fraudes of the

[k] 2. Cor. 12.7.
[l] Gen. 6.7. psal. 51.5.
[m] Mat. 16. 17. Luke. 22.55.
[n] Iob. 14 1.2. psal. 104. 4.
[o] Mat. 28 40.

Diuell

Diuell. Wherfore expell from vs this deepe ſluggiſhnes of ours, and open the eies of our minds, that wee may beholde howe great the power, endeuours, ſtrength and malice of this aduerſarie is, with whom we are to encounter. For wee wreſtle not againſt fleſhe and blood, p but againſt rules, againſt powers, againſt gouernors, and rulers of the darkenes of the world, againſt ſpirituall wickednes in heauenly places. O thou Sonne of God, which art that bleſſed ſeede q bruizing the head of that moſte ſubtill Serpent, bring and bruze our Enemie Sathan vnder thy feet. r Thou which dideſt appeare ſ to deſtroy the works of the Diuell, driue away from vs lying ſpirits, that they hurte vs not. Thou our chiefe Champion, which

p Ephe. 6 12.

q Gen. 3. 15.

r Rom. 16.20.

ſ 1. Iohn. 3.5.

which of thine owne accord
t Mat. 4. 18.&c. enteredst into tentations [t] so
Mar. 1 12. that thou mightest, as it were
Luk. 4. 1. hand to hand, wrestle with
our Enemie, and purchase a
tryumph for vs by thy victo-
u Reu. 20 2.&c. ry, hold him fast bound [u] that
he exercise not his deuises vp-
on vs, as he desireth: make vs
partakers of thy victorie, that
euen as thou in thy bodie o-
x Mat. 4. 10. uercamest the Diuel: [x] so thou
wilt vtterlie dispatch him in
thy members. And therefore
giue vs thy whole Armour,
y Ephe. 6. 13. 14. 15 16. 17. [y] that like right soldiers, we
may resist in the euill day, &
vanquish our Enemie. Girde
vs with thy truth; put vpon vs
the brestplate of righteous-
nes, and let vs be shod to the
propagation of the Gospel of
peace. Aboue all things giue
vs the shielde of faith, which
canne extinguish all the fiery
darts

dartes of wicked ſpirits. Beſtow vppon vs the helmet of ſaluation, and the ſworde of the ſpirite, which is the word of God, that through thee we may encounter valiantly, and glorioufſlie attain the victorie. And holy ſpirite, Almightie God, comfort thou, and ſtrengthen our mindes againſt ſo diuers conflictes of Sathan, which beſetteth vs by many ſnares, and eſpeciallie, the moſt of all dooth he ſeeke our deſtruction, when wee ſeeke deliuerance by other meanes thã by thy word reuealed. Grant therefore, that (leauing thy woord reuealed vnto vs) we looke not after reuelations, or violent rauiſhings, but may reſiſt the Deuill by thy word, ſo wil he flie from vs. Amen.

A PRAIER AGAINST *the temptation of the flesh.*

O Mercifull God, we miserable men acknowledge
a Rom.7.18 and confesse, that in vs,[a] that is, in our flesh, there dwelleth no good thing. But in sinne
b psal.51.5. we were borne,[b] and our mother conceiued vs of corrupt seed. For our nature is defiled, and proane vnto all wickednes; euen from our youth
c Gen.8.21. [c] so that by the strength of our proper reason, we cannot sauour those thinges which belong to the Spirit. [d] For the
d Rom.8.5. naturall man [e] speaketh and
e 1.Cor.2.14. sauoureth of earthlie things, and of himselfe is not meete so much, as to thinke any thing that is good, without the assistance of thy power.

Vnto

[f] Vnto thee do wee crie with our whole harts, that it wold please thee to open vnto vs by thy spirit, the true knowledge of thine essence & will, as thou hast reuealed thy self in thy word, that we may not follow the sence of our flesh; in judging of spiritual things neither by our blind bayardly reason, measure thine heauenlie sayinges. For blood and flesh perceiue not the thinges, which belong to the spirite, [g] and the fleshlie mind is enmitie against God; [h] for it is not obedient vnto the law of God, neither indeed can bee: And they which are in the flesh cannot please God. Seeing therefore, that in vs abideth the seede of sin, which is concupiscence, and a proannesse vnto wickednes is ingrafted into vs by nature;

f phil. 2. 13.

g Mat. 16 17.

h Rom. 8. 7. 8.

yea, and original sin through our first parentes, doth often times prick vs vnto impiety. For euerie one is tempted i when he is drawn away, and intised with the baite of his owne concupiscence, then when lust hath conceiued, it bringeth forth sin, and sinne when it is finished, bringeth foorth death. Giue vs grace, that we followe not the concupiscence of our flesh, neither prouoke our senses by vnbridcled liberty, but stoutly to resist them; for vnlesse that wicked concupiscence be driuen backe from our mindes, it will neuer cease, till it haue brought foorth deadlie sinne. Wherefore assist vs, that we may tame these bodies of ours, and bring them k into subjection, least our flesh being ouer lustie, do offend

i Iam. 1. 14. 15.

k 1. Cor. 9. 27.

fend, and ouerpaſſe the preſcribed limits. Aſsiſt vs, wee beſeech thee, to crucifie our flesh [l] with all the affections and deſires thereof, for the better ſeruing thee, and walking in the ſpirite. For we are detters, [m] not to the flesh, to liue after the flesh; but, the deeds of the flesh being mortified, to liue renewed [n] after the holy ſpirit, in righteouſnes and true holines. Sanctifie vs [o] holie Father, that wee defile not our ſelues with carnall vices, with riotouſneſſe, belli-cheere; nor by vnlawfull pleaſure, caſting off thine holie Spirite; that wee may make our bodies the houſes of filthie Feendes, [p] which carie away, and caſt headlong all intemperate and ſecure perſons into euerlaſting deſtruction. Bee farre from vs,

l Gal. 5. 24.

m Rom. 8 12. Rom. 8. 13.

n Ephe. 4 23. 24.

o Ioh. 17 17.

p Mat. 21 43 44. 45.

that we make our members the members of harlottes, [q] whereby thy holy ſpirite is baniſhed, and man becommeth a den of theeues, and [a] ſinke of filthineſſe. Gouerne vs, that wee may ſhunne the workes of the fleſh, [r] and bee carefull to doe the workes of the ſpirite, [ſ] as thy choſen ſeruants. And for aſmuch as the fleſh luſteth againſt the ſpirit, [t] and the ſpirite contrarie to the fleſh (for they are contrarie, and continuallie ſtriue together) Bee thou mercifull vnto vs, ô God, helpe vs with thy diuine power, that the holie ſpirit (which thou didſt poure into vs at our baptiſme) may beare the rule in our members, [u] and preuaile ouer the fleſh, and all the affections of the ſame. Extinguiſh the flames of carnall deſires

[q] 1. Cor. 6.15
[r] Gal. 5. 19.20.&c
[ſ] 1. Cor. 6. 9. Gal. 5. 22.23.
[t] Gal. 5.
[u] Rom. 8. 9.10.11.

desires, and represse our raging lustes, [x] so shall we auoid enormous offences, and shun the wicked actions of our owne inuentions. And if at any time, beeing subdued by flesh and blood, we shall wander from the path and direction of the spirite, to some thing vnseemly for our calling, impute not, [y] wee pray thee, that fault vnto vs, but remember that wee are flesh, and conuert vs by thy diuine power. And seeing flesh of it selfe is vnbrideled and wilde, not abiding correction, but is like a fat and wanton calf, [z] which is not vsed to labour. Put thy yoke vppon vs, and tame our flesh by thy spirite, that walking soberly & modestlie wee may bridle the same, and humble it vnder thy commandementes, by

x Iam. 4. 1. 2. &c.

y Psl. 32. 2.

z Ier. 46. 21.

withdrawing of delicious fare. For with ouermuch fine fare, our mindes waxe wanton and ouer luſtie. [a] Aide vs that by temperance, moderation, and abſtinence from ſuperfluous meates & drinks, we may bind our fleſh to the direction of thy holy ſpirite, and to mortifie our bodies of this death, [b] that thou maiſt liue in vs, which art to be praiſed for euer, and euer. Amen.

a Amo. 6. 4. 5. 6. 7

b Rom. 7 24.

A PRAIER AGAINST *the offences of this vvorld.*

O Heauenlie Father, and eternal God, which haſt created the worlde, [a] and ſo diddeſt loue the ſame, that thou gaueſt thine onely begot-

a Act. 17. 24.

gotten Sonne, [b] that whoſoeuer beleeueth on him, ſhould not periſh, but haue euerlaſting life. The whole worlde lieng in wickedneſſe, [c] dooth not confeſſe thy loue, it is altogether giuen to pleaſure, [d] ful of carnal concupiſcence, luſt of the eies, and pride of life: It is the malignāt church which is the ſink of ſinne, and a confuſed heape of wicked men; which loue darkneſſe [e] more than light. All things in this diſeaſed world, are repleniſhed with outragious wickednes [f] and horrible offences, eſpeciallie in this laſt doting age, wherein moſte grieuous & lamentable ſins doo raigne and all thinges looſe continuallie of their vertue. For what dooth increaſe, but the contempt of God and his woord, vngrate-

[b] Iohn.3. 16.
[c] 1.Ioh.5 19.
[d] 1.Ioh.2 16.
[e] Ioh.13. 19.
[f] Mat.24. 38.

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fulnes, belli-cheare, ri
neſſe, vnlawfull paſtime
a ſhamefull abuſe of all
things? From whence
ſue mortall puniſhmente
are the wofull diſorde
common weales, and
horrible euents. So th
things as it were, ouer bu
ned and wearied, doo g
and trauell in paine, toge
with thine elect, and deſ
g Rom. 8. 19. delinerance g from ſuch
great euils, whereunto t
are ſubiect, & made to ſe
to vanitie at the luſt of
wicked. Vnto thee do we
frō the bottom of our har
Segregate vs, ô Lord, fr
the darkneſſe, deceit, and
thineſſe of this world, a
withdraw vs from the deſi
of earthly things, that bei
incorporated into thy co
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tie doth abide, we may seeke after heauenly things, [h] and forsake earthlie, which are fraile & transitorie. [i] O righteous Father, the world doth not knowe thee, but thy son dooth know thee, [k] and they to whom thy sonne doth reueale thee by thine holy spirit. Giue vs the same thy spirit, that we may knowe what riches wee haue receiued by Christ, and speake not the things which mans wisdome doth teach, [l] but which thy spirite shall teach, comparing spiritual things with spirituall. Keepe vs in the confession of thy name, that thou in vs maist be glorified, & that we sauour not of terrene and worldly things, but dwelling in mind in heauen, may seeke those things that are aboue, [m] and bee made partakers of the

h Col. 3 2

i 1. Cor. 7 31.

1. Ioh. 2. 17.

k Mat. 11 27.

l 1. Cor. 2. 13

m Col. 3. 2.

the Diuine nature, and flie from the corruption which is in the world, leaſt in this miſerable & drunken eſtate thereof, we inwrap our ſelues in worldly cares, which withdrawe our mindes from the exerciſe of godlineſſe, and choake the good motions of the holy ſpirit. Grant therefore, that we loue nether the
n 1. Ioh. 2. 15. world, n nor the things in the world: but vſing this world,
o 1. Cor. 7. 30. 31 1. Ioh. 2. 17. wee may bee as thoſe which vſe it not: o For the forme of this world doth paſſe away. Rule thou our heartes, that we giue not our ſelues to the pleaſures of this world; neither enter into the broade
p Mat. 7. 13. way, and wide gate p which bringeth to eternall deſtruction: but ſhunning all the inticementes of this worlde, may goe in at the narrowe

gate

gate to the kingdom of heauen. O Christ our Redeemer, which hast chosen and seuered vs from this world; that, not imitating the same, wee might be saued. Giue grace, that al which haue promised wholly to serue thee, (which doost ouerthrowe the prince of this world) q may bee safe from all the assaultes of the subtill spirite. For it were a shameful and traiterous deed to promise wholly to bee thy seruants, and yet to fauour thy mortall enemie, and to follow his works. But he that warreth, r laboreth to please him which hath chosen him a souldier. Guide vs that we follow not the fading glorie of this world, neither delight therein. For hee which will fauour the world, is an enemie to God. s But let the world

q Eph. 22 Iohn. 12. 31.

r 2. Tim. 24.

s 1. Ioh. 2 15. Mat. 7. 27

t Gal. 6. 14. world be crucified to vs [t] and we to the world, through the deniall of our selues, and renouncing all the inticements of the same. u Grant vs grace that we may walk wisely [x] and circumspectly in this present world, not as fooles and vnwise, but as wise; and shun al occasions of falling, and redeeme the time, because the daies are euil; [y] ô God the holy Ghost, poure into vs thine heauenly wisdome, which is from aboue, [z] that in spirituall matters, wee may cast off altogether the wisdome of the world, which is foolishnesse with God; [a] and in the simplicity of mind cleaue vnto thy word. Instruct vs, that hauing renounced vngodlinesse, [b] we may walk vprightlie and godly in this world, looking for that blessed hope

u Luke. 9 23.
x Ephe. 5. 15. Col. 4. 5. 1. pet. 4. 2.
y Ephe. 5 16.
z Ec. 1. 1. prou. 2. 6. Iam. 1 5.
a 1. Cor. 3 19.
b Tit. 2. 12. 13. 14

and

nd appearing of the glorie
f the great God, and of our
uiour Iesus Christ, [e] which
aue himselfe for vs to re-
eeme vs from all iniquitie,
nd to make vs a pure pecu-
ier people vnto himself, zea-
ous of good woorkes. Com-
ort our mindes, that our
arts be not troubled [d] when
he world doth persecute vs.
or we are counted no bet-
er than the very excrements
& ofscowring of this world.
And therefore make vs pa-
ientlie to beare, not onely
uerie miserie incident to all
hen, but also the peruerse
nd sinister judgment of the
orld, the which also thou
idst suffer for our sakes; [f] vp-
olde vs in the midst of our
fflictiōs, that both the world
nd the Prince thereof may
ell knowe, that thou hast a
tender

e phil 2. 15.
Eph. 2. 10
1. pet. 2. 9
d Ioh. 14. 17.
e 1. Cor. 4. 13
f 1. Pet. 2. 23
psal. 22. 6

g Iohn.3. 16. tender care g ouer thy flocke, and wilt protect and saue the same euerlastinglie. Amen.

A PRAIER TO BE VSED IN *the time of plague, or sicknes.*

a Dan. 9. 4. Nehe. 1. 5. Deut. 5. 10. O Lord our God, great & fearefull art thou, a keeping couenant & mercy with them that loue thee, and keep thy commandements. Wee

b Dan. 9. 5. Baruch. 1 17. haue sinned, O Lorde, b and haue committed iniquitie, we haue done wickedlie, yea, we haue rebelled, and haue departed from thy precepts, & from thy judgments; we haue

c Dan. 9. 6.7.8.9. not obeyed thy seruants c the Prophets which spake in thy Name, to our Kings & princes, to our forefathers, and to all the people of the Land. O Lord,

Lord, righteousnes belongeth vnto thee, but vnto vs, open shame and confusion, as it is come to passe this day; by the plague and sicknes raigning among vs, and among all the dwellers of this Land, becaus of the sinnes which wee haue done against thee. Vnto thee O Lord, and God, pertaineth compassion and forgiuenes, though wee haue rebelled against thee. Wee haue not obeyed thy voice, to walke in the Lawes which thou hast layed before vs. We haue hitherto despised thy diuine & holie word, [d] yea, we haue lothed preaching, and haue losed the bridle to all beastlines of desires. Therefore [e] the curse and oath which is written in the Lawe of Moses thy Seruant, is powred vppon vs, and wee through the plague, and

d Leu. 26 15. Baruch. 2 10.
e Dan. 9. 12. Leuit. 26. 16. Deut. 28. 21. Exod. 5. 9. &c.

and corrupt aires, with burning Feuers, and grieuous ſicknes, are lamentablie conſumed euerie day, yea, in our Knees, [f] and Leggs are wee ſmitten with moſt lothſome botches, and thoſe incurable from the ſoale of the foote vnto the top of the head. Becauſe we repent not, neither obſerue all the wordes written in thy Lawe, nor feare thy glorious and dreadful Name; thou doeſt according to thy threatnings aforetolde, encreaſe our plagues, and the plagues of our ſeed; thou ſendeſt great plagues, & of long continuance, euill ſicknes, & of long durance, thou bringeſt vpon vs vncurable diſeaſes, all maner of ſicknes, and all kind of plagues, beſides all thoſe written in the booke of thy Lawe. All theſe plagues accor-

[f] Deu. 28. 35. 58. 59 60. 61.

according to thy worde, g are come vpon vs, yet haue wee not praied vnto thee our lord that wee might euery man turn from his vngodly waies. Therfore hast thou bin watch full in punishing vs, and in bringing these euils vpon vs. Thou art righteous, O Lord, and true is thy judgement, O God, Father of our Lorde Iesus Christ, thou hast got thee a glorious Name, as may appeare this day. h O Lord, our God, we haue sinned, we haue done wickedlie, wee haue behaued our selues vngodlie; in all thine ordinances. Turne thy wrath from vs we beseech thee, for wee are but a fewe left in this place. O lord God which hast promised, that, when either pestilence is among vs, i or the aire infected or any other plague or sickness

g Bar. 2.7 8 9. Psa. 119. 137.

h Baru. 2. 11.12.13

i 1. King. 8. 37. 38 2. Chro. 6. 28. 29. 2. Chron. 20. 9.

nes is hot, thou wilt hear the prayers,& grant the requests of any man among the people,praying from the bottom of his hart, acknowledging his sinnes vnfaignedlie, and lifting vp his hands vnto thee through Iesus Christ, before the Throane of grace. k Bee thou mercifull, giue vnto euery man according vnto all his petitions. For thou alone knowest the hartes of all the children of men. Heare thou our prayers and petitions, & deliuer vs from this cōtagious and deadly pestilence, command thine angel which striketh vs, to put vp his sword into the sheath, that he strike vs not to our finall destruction, proceede not in thy wrath, spare vs from death & bring not our ende by the plague. Lette the heauens be mild

k.Heb.4. 16.
1.King.8. 39.
m 1.Sam. 24.16.
2.Chron. 32.19.

mild, and our dwelling places helthfull, leaſt the aier being infected, [n] power downe the contagion thereof vpon vs to our deſtruction. O Lord turne away thine hande, it is ſufficient, [o] let nowe thine hand ceaſe, that all the Earth may knowe, [p] howe that thou Lorde art our God, and that we doe call vpon thy Name. O Lord, looke downe from thine holie houſe vpon vs, & thinke vpon vs, encline thine eare and heare vs: open thine eies and beholde the affliction, and mortallitie of thy people. For the dead which are in the graues, and whoſe ſoules are out of their bodies giue vnto thee neither praiſe, nor righteouſnes, but the ſoull that is vexed for the multitude of hir ſinnes, which goeth on heauilie and weaklie, whoſe

n pſal. 78 50.
o 2. Sam. 24. 16. 1. Chron. 21. 15.
p Baruch 2. 15.

whose eies begin to faile, yea, the hungrie soule is it, that ascribeth due praise and righteousnes vnto thee, O Lord. For wee power out our prayers before thee, and require mercie in thy sight: O Lorde, our God, not for any woorthines either of our owne, or of our Fathers: q but in the Name of thy sonne Iesus Christ, in whome thou art well pleased, r we beseech thee be mercifull vnto vs, and helpe vs in this necessitie. Turne thee againe, s O lord at the last, and be merciful vnto thy seruants that this poisoned infection may bee taken from vs. Notwithstanding, if it be thy pleasure to visit our offences with the rod, t thy blessed will be done, u and giue vs grace to beare thy Fatherlie correction laide vppon vs patientlie, remem-

q Mat. 3. 9
r Mat. 3. 17. Mat. 17. 5
s psal. 90. 13.
t psa. 84. 32.
u Mat 6. 10. Luke. 11 2.

remẽbring alwaies that we are chastened of thee our heuenly Father in this worlde, that wee be not condemned with the reprobate in the World to come, Amen.

x prou. 3 11. Heb. 12 6.

y Mar. 15 32.

A PRAIER FOR *Women with Child.*

O Most wise God, a Eternall Father of thy beloued sonne our Lord and sauiour Christ, Creator, b and keper of all Creatures, which through thine excellent wisdome, c and counsel, hast enjoyned to Womankinde, that in paine and sorrowe they shoulde bring forth children, wherby not onlie this word is repleniſhed, but a Church which doth celebrate thy holy

a psa. 147 5.

b psa. 146 5.

c Gen. 3. 16.

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ly Name for euer, is gathered vnto thee. And for as much, as the paine of a Woman in trauel is most extreme, which makes the Prophets [d] many times to repeate the same, in exaggerating the afflictions of punishment which the holy Spirit doth threaten to the impenitent. We beseech thee in the Name of Christ thy Sonne, bee mercifull vnto all Weomen, either with childe, or in Childebed: giue them grace to call into minde the decree, and pleasure of thine heauenly will: let them neuer fume against thee thorough impatience, but in true fayth and inuocation of thy Name suffer thy cros quietly, knowing that by the seede of the Woman, which hath broken the olde Serpents head [e] they are reconciled vnto thee. In this

[d] Esas. 13 8. Micah. 4. 10.

[e] Gen. 3. 15.

this seede; which is Christ, the curse is cleane taken away, [f] & blessing restored to vs, that wee may receiue the promise of the Spirit, and the inheritance of Eternall life. O Almightie God, conuert nowe the sorrowes of Weomen in trauel into gladnes, that they remember not their paines with mourning, for that a man is borne into the world. [g] Comfort them in the midst of their anguish, and helpe as well the Mother as the babe, especially in the daunger of deliuerance. [h] If thou blessed God be not present, they perish vndoutedly, all the world cannot help them in that extremitie. O Eternall God, which of the seed of man framest the liuing infant in the Mothers wombe; [i] and nourishest the same congealed in

f Gal. 3. 14.

g Ioh. 16 21.

h 2. King. 19. 3

i Wis. 7.

blood, that the fleshe within the time of Ten Monethes may take shape, drawing nourishment from the Mother,

k 2.Esd.8 7. we are all k the workmanship of thine hands. We giue thee thanks, Lord: for fearfully &

l Psa.139 14. wonderfully are wee made: marueious are thy woorks, that our soules knowe right well. Our bones are not hid from thee, though wee were secretly made, neither our substance in the inner partes of our Mothers wombe. Thy eies did see our substance being without form, and in thy booke were all our members written. Thine handes haue

m Iob.10 8. made vs m and fashioned vs altogether round about: with skin and flesh hast thou couered vs, and ioined vs together with bones and sinews: thou hast giuen vs life, and grace,

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and thy visitation hath preserued our Spirits. Grant, we beseech thee to al infants yet vnborne, that knitte togither with their due veines & members, they may come forth in to this world sound, and perfect without fault or deformitie. Stay the furiousnes of all wicked spirits that they shew not their tyranie vpon young infants. Keep all with childe, that no way being terrefied, or troubled extremelie, they be vntimelie deliuered. Giue grace also to the babes newly borne, that togither with their outward Baptisme, they may be receued into the congregation of the faythfull, with wholsome water throgh the renuing and regeneration of the holy Spirit, [n] which thou wilt plenteousslie powre vppon them, thorough Iesus

n Tit. 3. 5 6. 7.

Christ our Sauior; that being iustified by his grace, they may bee made heires, according to the hope of Eternall life, and become newe creatures throgh him. Strégthen all weomen deliuered, that being restored to their wonted health, they may glorifie thee their helper, in the time
o 2. Cor. 14. of neede, o and learne afterPſa. 50. 15 warde to repose their whole confidence in thee, which art nigh vnto all them that call
p Psa. 145 18. vpon thee, p to all we say, calling vpon thee in truth. And if at any time through thine vnsearchable iudgement, an vntimelie birth, or (if without offending thy Godhead, we may say) vnluckely deliuerance happen. So comfort, O mercifull God, the mornfull and sadde Parents, that they faint not with sorrowe, but beleeue

beleeue rather, that the woefull chance is a tryall of their faith, q hope, and patience. For thou art a mercifull and gratious God, forgiuing our sinnes thogh thou art angry with our wickednes: yet in thy displeasure thou remembrest thy mercie, that the troubled may take comfort, r and the afflicted finde grace. For thus do all thy seruants perswade themselues, that if they be tryed, s they shall be crowned, if they be troubled, they shall be deliuered, and if they bee chastened they shalbe saued. For thou hast no pleasure in our condemnation, which bringest faire weather after stormes, and gladnes after teares. Thy Name O Lord, be praised for euer, Amen.

q 1 pet. 1 7.

r Hab. 3. 16.

s Ioh. 3. 21.

A PRAIER FOR *seasonable weather.*

OMoſt wiſe and mightie God, thou art a glorious king, in al the world, thy woonderfull majeſtie dooth ſhine, and is knowne alſo by raine, thundering, lightning, and other meteors ingédred in the aire. Thy throne is among the cloudes; thou haſt made darkeneſſe thy ſecret place, [a] & thy pauilion about thee, euen darknes of water, and clouds of the aire: at the brightnes of thy preſence the clouds do paſſe away, ſo doo the hailſtones & fiery coales. Thou doſt thunder from the heauens, and giueſt thy voice hailſtones and coales of fire. Thou ſendeſt thine arrowes, and

[a] pſal. 81. 11. &c

and scatteredst them, thou increasest lightninges, and destroiest them: who is so great a God [b] as thou our God? thou art the God which dost woonders, and declarest thy power among the nations. Thou redeemest thy people with thine arme: The waters saw thee and were affraid, yea the depthes trembled. The clouds poured out water, the aire thundred, and thine arrowes went abroad; the voice of thy thunder was hearde round about; the lightenings lightned the world, the earth trembled & shooke, and the foūdations of the earth were discouered at thy rebuking, [c] O Lord, at the blasting of the breath of thy nosterils. Therefore shall the verie heauens extoll thy woonderous works, [d] & the Saints set forth thy

[b] psal. 77 13 &c.

[c] psal. 18. 15.

[d] psal. 89. 5.

thy trueth in the congregation of the Saints. For who is equal to thee in heauen? And who is like thee among the sonnes of the gods? Thou art verie terrible in the assembly of the saints, & to bee reuerenced aboue all that are about thee. O Lord God of hostes, who is like vnto thee? Which art a mightie Lord, & thy truth is about thee. Thou rulest the raging of the sea, thou stillest the waues therof when they do arise. Thou only art of power to resolue into vapors, the droppes of the sea by the heat of the Sunne, thou takest the same vp beeing turned into airie substãce & againe turnest it into meer water, & makest it come pouring downe vpon the face of the earth. Whatsoeuer thou wilt [c] thou doost in heauen & earth

c psa. 135 6.

earth, and in the sea, and in al deep places: With thy power thou madest the earth, [f] with thy wisdom thou hast established the world, and with thy discretion stretched out the heauens, as soon as thou lettest thy voice bee heard, the waters in the aire wax fierce: thou drawest vp the cloudes from the endes of the earth, thou turnest the lightening into rain, and bringest forth the winde foorth of thy treasures. Thou couerest the heauens with cloudes [g] and preparest rain for the earth; thou makest the grasse to growe vpon the mountaines, & prouidest hearbes for the vse of man; thou giuest to beastes their food, and to the young Rauens that crie. Behold, so great art thou [h] that thou passest our knowledge, neither can

f Ier. 51. 15.

g psa. 147 8.

h Iob. 36. 26.

can the number of thy years be ſearched out. When thou reſtraineſt the drops of water, the raine poureth downe by the vapours thereof, and falleth aboundantly vppon man: thou bringeſt forth the windes out of thy treaſures, that is, from the ſecrete places, wher thou didſt hide thē in great aboundance, that they might bee ready at thy commandement, and come foorth when thou thinkeſt good; thou makeſt the clouds to labor to giue water to the earth, & ſcattereſt the cloud of thy light, thou turneſt it about by thy gouernmēt, that they may doo whatſoeuer thou commandeſt them vpon the whole world. O God, mine heart is troubled verie ſore, when I beholde the immoderate ſhowers, and heare

i pſal. 135. 7. Ier. 51. 16.

k Iob. 37. 11. 12.

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the terrible thunder; yea, it forſaketh his place, when I heare the noiſe of thy voice, and the ſpeach proceeding frō thy mouth. O God which ruleſt heauen and earth. I moſt humbly beſeech thee, mercifullie to driue away, or at leaſt to mittigate theſe mighty ſtreams, and moſt raging tempeſts. Reſtraine thy thunderboltes, and thy fierie dartes, that they hurt vs not Keepe vs and our neſtes, that we periſh not through lightninges, nor be deſtroied by thy thunderclappes. Protect our houſes and vs, that we be neither conſumed by the fierie meteors, nor be drowned by any ſodaine flood. O merciful God, rain not I beſeech thee hailſtones vpon the face of the earth, neither ſtrike ſuch as are in the fieldes, be they

l Exod. 2. 22. 25. they man or beast. l Strik not thou therewithall the hearbs of the fielde, neither breake thou, gracious lord, the trees
m psl. 105 33. of our land. m Destroy not our corn with hailstones; nor with hailstones smite thou
n psal. 78 44. 49. our cattell, n and deliuer our flockes from the thunderbolt. Cast not the fiercenesse of thy wrath, anger, and displeasure vpon vs. Giue vs not
o psl. 105. 32. Ier. 5. 16 hailstones for raine, o neither flames of fire in our land, but of thy mercie conuert the thunder into gentle raine, whereby it may bring out
p psl. 145. 16. fruit aboundantly. p Send not among vs either vntimely or vntemperate showers, which be either noisom to the fruit
q 1. King. 8. 37 & bring the mildew, q or destroy the corne. Restraine in like sort the windes and violent tẽpestes, that they bring

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no hurt either to vs, or our goodnes, euen for Christes sake our Lord & sauior. Amē.

A PRAIER FOR THE *fruites of the earth.*

O Lord God Almightie, a King of heauen and earth, which of thine abound-dant goodnes dost adorne & repleniſh the earth with all kind of fruit and grain, wher-by the life b both of man and beast is sustained. We beseech thee, euen of thy free mercie, that thou wouldst vouchsafe to blesse our fields & groūd, and to make thē prosperouſ-ly to yeeld their corn and in-creaſe. For without thy bleſ-ſing and fauour, neither can the earth of it selfe bring foorth

a psal. 47. 3.
b Psal. 36. 6. psal. 147. 9. psal. 107. 9.

foorth any whit, nor wee by our paines make the same to prosper.[c] Wherefore, graunt to all thinges springing from the earth, a meet temperature of aire, that luckily they may take and increase. Keep our fruite vppon the face of the earth from al infection of the aire, from thunder, haile,[d] & from vntimely showers, from too great drinesse, and ouermuch heat, fró wormes hurtfull, and beastes deuouring it before their prime, and from al other corruption: that our lande in thine anger bee not desolate, and denie vs fruit, [e] enioying her ioyful Saboth. Shut not vp the heauens [f] in thine indignatió for our sins, that it be not as yron, [g] nor our earth as brasse, whereby it cannot be tilled, ploughed nor sowed, and so come to a very

c psa.145 15.16. Leuit.26. 3. Deut.28. 4.5.

d psa.105 32.

e Leuit. 26.34.

f 1. King. 8.35. 2.King. 18.41. Deut. 28. 24.

g Leuit. 26.19. Deut.28. 23.

very plain, and vtter wilder-
nes: but of thy goodnes giue
vs both the earlie and latter
raine [h] that wee may haue a-
boundance of all fruit, and a
ioyfull harueſt with a plenti-
full vintage. O God, ſend a
gracious rain vpon thine in-
heritance, [i] and giue thy bleſ-
ſing, that our ground may
bring foorth her fruit: cauſe
thy raine to poure downe in
due ſeaſon, [k] that it may bee
raine of bleſsing, whereby
both trees may giue their
fruit, and the ground yeelde
foorth her graine. Grant alſo
that the aire be pure from in-
fection, our bodies free from
ſicknes, [l] to our whole realme
peace & quietnes, [m] that ſafe-
ly without trouble wee may
inioy thy giftes. Driue away
and repel from vs malediction
and the deſtroier. [n] Giue vs
not

h Zac. 10. 1.
i pſal. 68. 9.
k pſal. 65. 9. &c.
l 1 cor. 25 16.
m Deu. 28 11. 12.
n Mal. 3. 11.

o Deu. 28. 24. not in ſteed of raine, o duſt & aſhes, but opē thy good treaſure, and viſite the land with thy bleſsing: make it drunkē, and enritch it aboundantlie.

p. pſal. 65. 9. 10. Thy riuer, ô Lord, is full of water, p prepare our corne, & diſpoſe our earth to proſper. Water aboundantly the furrowes of the ſame, and cauſe the raine to diſcend into the valeies therof; make the ſame ſoft with ſhowers, and bleſſe our buds. Crowne the yeare with thy goodnes, & let thy clowdes drop fatnes. Let thē drop vpon the paſture of the wildernes, and make the litle hils rejoice on euery ſide. Let the plaines bee repleniſhed with ſheepe, and the valeies with corne, that the inhabitāts of the earth may rejoice and be merie. O Lord, thou cauſeſt graſſe to grow for cattel,

tel, q and hearbes for the vse of man, thou bringest foorth bread out of the earth, and wine to make glad the heart of man, oile to make the coũtenance chearfull, and bread for to strengthen the heart. Haue therefore a care, ô heauenly Father, of the seed and other things springing from the earth, keep them both in cold, raine, yce, and snow, frõ the beating of winds, and iniurie of weather, preserue thẽ in extreame heat, drinesse, moistnes, and such like, that they perish not afore their time. Root out the destroier, that there be neither mildew nor Grashopper, neither Caterpiller hurting the fruit of the earth. Keep vs, ô Lord, in the time of dearth, ſ that wee perish not for hunger, nor be confounded in the perillous

q psal. 104. 14. 15.

r 1. King. 8. 37

ſ psal. 33. 19.

time

time. For thou art our God
and creator, which satisfiest
c psa.107 the thirstie soule, c and fillest
9 the hungrie with goodnesse,
which hast saide, d I will not
d Heb.13 5. faile, neither forsake thee.
Ios. 1.9. Whereby (being faithfull) we
x psa.118 6. say, x the Lord is with vs, there-
fore wee will not feare what
man can doo vnto vs. Behold
we miserable and great sin-
ners do confesse our wicked-
nes with groning and griefe
of heart, crying vnto thee
y Mat.6. 9. which art in heauen, y Hear
our praiers in thy dwelling
Luk.11.2 z 1.King. place, z and bee mercifull to
8.49. thy people which haue sin-
ned against thee, and forgiue
all our iniquities, wherein we
haue trāsgressed against thee.
By our sins we haue brought
a Dan.5.9 al these miseries a which hang
ouer our heads, but blot out
all our offences, ô God, after
thy

thy manifold mercies, & take away frō vs the curse of our ground, that the people may praise thee, [b] ô God; yea, that all the people may praise thee, & the earth bring forth her increase, through our Lord Iesus Christ, thine only son, which liueth & raigneth with thee in the vnitie of the holy spirit, a God for euermore. Amen.

b psal. 67. 7. 6.

A PRAIER TO BE SAIED *before the receiuing of the holy Communion.*

O Iesu Christ, holy and Eternall God, I miserable man and wretched sinner, acknowledg and confesse, that I am not worthie the least of all thy mercies, [a] and most vn-

a Gen. 32. 10.

woor-

woorthie to receiue thee vn-
b Mat. 8. 8. der the roof [b] of my Soule, by
Luk. 7. 6. participating of thy moſt ble-
ſed body and blood. For hor-
rible and infinite are the ſins
wherewith I am defiled. Woe
c Eſai. 6. 5. is me, Lord, [c] for Iam a man
of polluted lippes, and dwel
among people that haue vn-
cleane lippes. And therefore
the verie entrales of my hart
are troubled, and my bones
doe ſhake, becauſe I finde my
ſoul a moſt vnworthie ghueſt
for ſo heauenly a Supper. And
yet againe, my hart is woon-
derfully lightened, when I ca
into mind that thou, the dere
Sonne of Almightie God, ca-
d Luke. 5. 32. meſt not into this Worlde to
call the righteous, [d] but ſin-
1. Tim. 1. 15. ners to repentance. For [e] the
e Mat. 9. 11. that bee whole, need not the
Phiſition, but they that are
ſicke. Beſides, I knowe righ-
well

well, and constantly doe be-
leeue, that notwithstanding
my filthines, thou canst make
me worthy, which alone canst
make that cleane, which is
conceaued of vncleane seede;
the righteous men of sinners, f Iob. 14. 4.
when thou forgiuest all our g Psa. 51. 78.
sinnes of thy woonted grace,
thine holy spirit being pow-
red vpon vs; Through which
thy power and mercie, I be-
seech thee, graunt such grace
vnto me a sinner, that I may
worthily h aproch to this he- h 1. Cor. 11. 27.
auenly Sacrament, lest other-
wise, by mine vnwoorthines
be made guiltie of thy body
and blood, and so in steed of
life, receiue my judgment and
condemnation. Giue grace
therefore, that afore I pre-
sume to come vnto the parti- i 1. Cor. 11. 28. 2. Cor. 13. 5.
cipation thereof, I may exa-
mine my selfe, i by calling my
sinnes

finnes into minde, searching
k Lam. 3. 40. out my waies, k and by vnfai-
ned and harty repentance re-
turning vnto thee my Lorde,
leſt otherwiſe by conſealing
my ſins, with Iudas the Trai-
tor I eat the bred of the Lord
againſt the Lorde; and by a-
m Rom. 2. 4 5. buſing thy gentlenes m heape
vengeance vppon my ſelfe, a-
gainſt the day of vengeance.
Make me to confeſſe my ſins,
and with harty ſobs, ſo thou
n 1. Ioh. 1. 9. being a faythfull & juſt God,
n wilt pardon all mine offen-
ces, and clenſe me from al my
ſinnes: and wilt not diſdaine
to accept me into fauor, whe
I do not refraine to acknow-
ledg my wickednes. Morouer
powre into me a true & liuely
faith; that I neuer miſtruſt th
worde annexed to the Sacra
ments, which promiſeth vnto
mankinde the remiſsion o
ſinnes

sinnes. For to eat or drinke with the mouth onlie is to no purpose, but faith must come thereunto, and apprehend the worde with the promises annexed. For they are the groundes and principles of this Sacrament. So that whosoeuer giueth credit to these words, (which was giuen and shed for you, in the remission of sins,) o the same man hath that which is promised by them, namely eternall life, & saluation. For where the remission of sinnes is, there likewise righteousnes, life, & saluation is. But he which douteth of these words, he without doubt, is an vnworthie receauer, and commeth vnprepared. For the doubting man neither eateth thy flesh spiritually, nor yet drinketh thy blood though carnally, and

o Mat. 26. 26. Mark. 14. 22. Luk. 22. 19. 1. Cor. 11. 24. &c.

and to our eies, he ſeemeth to
conſume the Sacrament o
thy body and blood, with his
teeth & mouth, but his dam-
nation rather. Not becauſe
thy Supper is poyſon, but
for that an euill man taketh
a good thing naughtilie. Fi-
nally alſo, grant that receiuing
this thy ſacrament of the new
Teſtament, I may put of ac-
cording to the former con-
uerſation, the ould man,
q Ephe.4 22.23. which is corrupt according
to the luſtes of error, and be
renued in the Spirite of my
minde, putting on the neue
man, r which after GOD, is
r Col.3. 10. Ephes. 4. 24. created in righteouſnes, and
holines of truth. And albeit
my nature be ſuch, that I can
not liue without ſpottes of
wikednes: yet ſo bles me, that
I may neuer offend willingly,
but altogither depending vp-
on

on thy goodnes, whose maner is to pardon the true penitent sinners, may boldly aproch to thine holy Supper. Especially seeing we haue libertie to enter into the holy place through thy blood [t] by the newe & liuing way which thou hast prepared for vs through the vaile, that is, by the flesh. And seeing we haue an high Priest ouer the house of God, make vs to drawe nie with true harts, in assurance of fayth sprinckeled in our mindes, from an euill conscience, & washed in body with pure water, cause vs to holde fast the profession of our hope without wauering, (for hee is faythfull that promised,) and lette vs consider one of an other, to prouoke vnto loue, & to good workes, not forsaking the assembly of the faithfull

[t] Heb. 10. 19. 20. Heb. 10. 23. 24.

full, as the maner of some is, but exhorting one another, and so much the more, as we see the day approching. Amen.

ANOTHER PRAIER TO BE *saide before the receiving of the holy Communion.*

O Christ the onlie Mediator betweene God and Man, [a] which of thine ardent and vnspeakeable good will, tookest our flesh vpon thee, to become a sacrifice and raunsome for all mankinde: and for the better conceiuing of that thy benefit, didst ordain before thy painfull passion, a perpetual memory of thy onlie loue, and that by erecting a Couenant of the newe Testa-

[a] 1. Tim. 2.5.6.

ſtament, [b] which teſtifieth of thy preſence, merite, power, and mercy, waſhing away daily the ſinnes of beleuers; and the more effectually to commend the deepnes of this miſterie, diddeſt ordaine this Sacrament in thy laſt Supper, being euen redy to goe from thy Diſciples vnto thy paſſion, the more deepely to fix it in our harts, that it neuer ſlip out of our minds, but daylie in Faith, feare, and reuerence be recorded; and remaine according to thine holy inſtitution, whole & perfect without adding or diminiſhing from the ſame. For though it bee but a mans Teſtament, [c] yet, if it bee confirmed and prooued by the death of the Teſtator, no man diminiſheth or addeth thereunto. Vnto thee do I cry, ô Son of God,

b Mat. 26. 26. &c. Mark. 14. 24. Luke. 22. 15.

c Gal. 3. 15. Heb. 9. 15.

which art partaker of our flesh, and bone of our bones, beseching thee from the bottome of my hart, that it wold please thee to giue me grace, that with an earnest desire, & due reuerence I may couet to receiue thy Supper & therein thristingly to seeke for the nourishment of my Soul. Remooue from my hart, all loathing, contempt, and curiositie of prophane men, which set themselues against thee, and proudely despise this thy institution, like vnto dogges, despising holy thinges, [d] and vnto hogs treding most precious perles vnder their feet. Lift vp my mind, that in fear and trembling, in faith and spirituall comfort, I may approch to the woorthy receauing of thy precious body & blood, not as hypocrites doe

d Mat. 7. 6.

which

which hide & dissemble their sinnes, neither as Epicures despising both thee and thy holy ordinance. And therefore stirre vp in me an vnfained desire of this heauenlie nourishment, that from thee the bread of life, [e] and fountaine of all saluation, [f] I may drawe vital juice to the quickening of my soule. In which Communion thou bestowest vpon beleeuers, both the merits of thine obedience and passion, and also thy other benefits whatsoeuer. Besides inwardly thou dost repleniſh vs with new and celestial joy, in quickning, comforting, teching, and gouerning vs, that so wee may haue and get our strength from thee, euen as the branches draw their juice and force to fructifie, from the vine. Lighten therefore

e Ioh. 6. 35.
Eccle. 24. 24.
f Iohn. 4. 10. 14.

the eies of mine harte, that I may knowe what the hope is whereunto we are called; and what the riches of our glorious inheritance are in the
g Ephe. 1. 18. Col. 2. 27 Saints; g and what exceeding greatnes of thy power and mercie is hid in this Supper, and howe vnspeakable be the riches of the glorie of this sacrament, whereby thou communicatest to all, and each of thy faithfull togither, with al thy body and blood, all the treasures of thine heauenly goods, to be receued by faith For thine holy and blessed
h Ioh. 6. 35. mouth hath saied: I am the breade of life, h which came down from heauen, he which commeth to me shall neuer hunger, and he that beleueth on me shall neuer thirst. And the bread which I shall giue is my flesshe, which I will giue

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for the life of the Worlde. O moſt ſweet bread, heale thou the palate of mine hart, that I may taſt the ſweetnes of thy loue; heale me of mine infirmities, that I delight in noe fairnes beſides thee. O moſt heauēly white bread, containing within thee al comfort, & the perfect ſweetnes of al ſauor, which doeſt alwaies refreſh vs, lette mine heart eate thee, & with thy pleaſant ſauor, let all the bowels of my ſoule be repleniſhed. O thou breade of life, which cameſt downe from heauen, and giueſt life to the worlde, come into mine hart, and purge me from all filthines of the fleſh and ſpirit, enter thou into my ſoule, heale and ſanctifie me both within and without. Be thou the Buckler and perpetuall defence of my ſoul and

body, that I may come vnto thy kingdome the right way, where we ſhal not deale with miſteries as in this world, but ſhal behold thee face to face: when thou haſt deliuered the kingdome to God, [i] the Father, and ſo God ſhall bee all in all, Amen.

i 1.Cor. 15.24.28

A THANKS-GIVING AFTER *the receiuing of the holy Communion.*

O Ieſu, high and eternall Prieſt, [a] ſitting vpon the right hand of the throane of majeſtie in the heauens, gouernour of the Saints. Thou art an highe prieſte of good things to come, [b] which by a greater and more perfect Tabernacle not made by hands, that

a Heb.8.1

b Heb.9. 11.12.

that is to say, not of this building, neither by the blood of goates and calues, but by thy owne blood didst enter once into the holy place, & found eternall redemption, when thorough the eternall spirit, thou offeredst thy self a poore sacrifice without spot to god, purging our consciēces from dead woorkes, to serue the liuing God. I yeeld thee harty thanks for suffering vpon the Alter of the crosse, a moste shamefull death for our sins, and that of thine owne accord, mooued thereunto by a singular affection of thy good will towards vs. I blesse thee for instituting this sacrament of thy body and blood, in remembrance of our euerlasting redemption, that at noe time it might slip out of our mindes, but be an holy signe,

and

and testimonie of thy perpetuall frendship, and a seale of the confirmation of the new and eternall couenant, which thou hast entred into with vs concerning the free remission & forgiuenes of our sins. I magnifie thee with all reuerence of mind, for bidding vs miserable men, and sinners, both vnto the participation of thy most holy Supper, and also to the receiuing of al celestiall riches; wherein thou bestowest and applyest particularly to euery of vs, all the merits & good things which by thine obedience and deth thou hast purchased on our behalfe, that we may become partners, and fellowe heires of Eternall blessednes. [c] O sacred banket, wherein heuenly dainties are set before vs, which reuiue the Soule, and

[c] Rom. 8 32.

thou

thou Lambe of God, after a woonderfull and a mysticall maner, giuest thy selfe to refresh the inward man. We diminish thee not in eating of thee,[d] but thou endurest perpetually whole. And althogh the visible signes are consumed, yet canst not thou bee deuoured. Thou art the meat of the Soule, not of the body; & fattest our minds, not our bellies. Thou changest the eater into thy selfe, and yet art not changed into the eater, as other corporall foode, is changed commonly. So that wee participate of thy diuine nature, [e] and thou noe whit art altered into our sinne-full flesh. I humblie beseech thee, Sonne of God, by thy most sacred bloud shed for vs, giue me grace, that participating of this visible Sacrament. I may

e 2. Pet. 1. 4.

may withall finde and feele in mine hart, the invisible woorking of thine heauenly grace, which is contained in this misterie; that this Supper may bee as some refreshing vnto my body, so a speciall medicine of my soul. Quicken and raise vp in me by this blessed Sacrament, a continuall remembrance of thy bitter passion, make me to retaine the same firmelie, and fresh in my mind, and shew it foorth, [f] as an onelie and sufficient ransome of my redemption vntill thou returnest. Let me neuer doubt of the forginenes of my sinnes, which thou assurest me of by thy body and blood, in thy holy couenant, [g] concluded in thy last supper by the breaking of bread, and giuing forth the cuppe to thy chosen Disciples, & by them

[f] 1. Cor. 11.26.

[g] Mat. 26 26.

to

to as many as are incorporated into thy Church through Baptisme. That as often as Sathan assaileth vs with his deadlie tentations, wee may runne to this our sanctuarie, as it were to a strong anchor of defence, apprehending of the promis that is ratified by the seale of this couenant, & neuer giue ouer in fight, but still bee refreshed with newe virtue from aboue, nor break our hearts through the consideration of sundrie misfortunes, which the vngratefull world by the instinct of their captaine the Deuill, woulde bring vpon vs; but calling into mind thy death, into the which we are baptized, [h] may escape from all callamities. So that no tribulation, [i] nor anguish, nor persecution, neither hunger, nor nakednesse, neither

h Rom. 6. 3.

i Rom. 8. 35. 38.

neither perils, nor ſworde, neither death, neither life, may ſeperat vs fró our head: whereupon beeing made faſt by this holie Sacrament receiued, wee, as liuing members doo depend. And finallie, may know that we are fed and refreſhed by thy fleſh & precious blood, that waſhed therwith, we ſhold not hereafter giue our ſelues to carnall pleaſures, nor feed vpon the leauen of malice & wickednes, but reſiſting them, liue in al ſinceritie and truth [k] as it becómeth ſuch as doo eate of the immaculate Paſchall lambe, whoſe life is hid with thee, [l] but when thou ſhalt be reuealed, then ſhall we alſo appear in glorie. For this bleſſed meat dooth truelie witneſſe, that our bodies ſprinkled with the vertue of

k 1. Cor. 5. 8.

l Col. 3. 3. 4.

thy

thy quickening flesh, as it were with celestiall dew, shall rise againe vnto immortalitie and euerlasting glorie. Wherefore, giue grace, that all thy Saintes participating of the bread of eternall life, may be repleniſhed with the fruition of thy blessed sight for euermore, in thy celestial paradise. Amen.

AN OTHER THANKSGIuing after the receiuing of the holy Communion.

I Thank thee, ô Christ, lamb of God, for offering thy selfe vppon the Altar of the Crosse to thy Father, [a] and a Sacrifice of a sweet smelling sauour to God, for our sins, to reconcile vs vnto him: for certaintie whereof, and confirma- [a] Ephe. 5. 2.

formation of our faith, thou hast instituted on our behalf this holy Sacrament of thy Supper, that as often as wee receiue the same, we may celebrate thy memorie, [b] and with thanksgiuing remember the merit and fruit of thy passion. I beseech thee by thy bitter death, stir vp our mindes, that by often receiuing this thine ordinance & institution, we may consider howe bitter a death thou didst suffer on our behalfe, and how great the loue was which droue thee to take so cruell and shamefull a death to saue vs: and with all continuallie yeelde, as wee are bound, hartie thankes vnto thee for the same, and after the like sort, answere to our power, that vnspeakeable good will by our good life,

[b] 1. Cor. 11.26.

and

and carefull obseruation of thy commandements: & may, when either through frailtie of our flesh, [t] or by any other fault preuented, wee fall, run by and by vnto thee by repentance, and through consideration of this new and eternall couenant, touching the remission of sinns, made with vs, bee erected and vpholden vnto a liuely & constant hope. O sweete Iesu, grant, that (being fast linked vnto thee by this holie misterie) I may receiue power and strength from thee, beedeeuing thy promises, and be whollie addicted thereunto without any doubting, that so my conscience, in feare & troubles may haue perfect consolation. Suffer mee not to bee seperated from the members of thy body, which

[t] Gal. 6. 1

is

is the Church, whereof thou
d Ephe. 1 22.23. art head,[d] fulfilling all in all:
but graunt, that abiding in
thy worde and kingdome, I
may bee wihout fault in the
foundation, and without sin
against my conscience, and
walk woorthy this sacramẽt,
forsaking vtterly, & renoun-
cing the Deuill and all Ido-
latrie, all vices and carnall de-
e 1. pet. 2.11. sires [e] which fight against the
Gal.5.17 Rom. 13. 14. soule. For we cannot be par-
takers of the Lords table, &
f 1. Cor. 10.21. of the Deuils too. [f] Make me
also to remember, that by
this Sacrament I am bound
to do good vnto others. For,
as many graines of corne do
make one loafe, and manie
grapes make one wine, so, be-
ing many, yet are we but one
g 1. Cor. 10.17. loafe [g] and one bodie, in as-
much as we all participate of
of one bread, and drinke of

one

one cup. Ioyne vs therefore together, O Sauiour of the world, at this bāquet throgh the bande of loue, that wee may bee faſtened vnto thee our head. That as thou didſt die for vs, ſo wee againe may not feare to ſuffer, & to giue our liues for the glorie of thy name, that we neuer be ſeperated from thee, neither in life, nor death. Make vs alſo hartilie to loue one another, like the true and liuely members of thy bodie, [i] that if need require, wee may giue our liues for our brethren. [k] Suffer not cōcord of minds to be broken. For he that receiueth the miſterie of vnity, and keepeth not the bande of peace, he doth not receiue the myſterie for himſelfe, but a teſtimony againſt himſelfe. Giue grace therfore, that laiing

i 1. Cor. 12.17.

k 1. Ioh. 3 16.

m Col. 3. 8.13 ing aside all wrath, [m] fierce-
nesse, maliciousnes and enuy,
we may forgiue one another,
euen as thou forgauest vs, &
beare one with another for
the better auoiding of strife,
n 1. Cor. 11.16. dissention, [n] sectes, and perni-
cious heresies. Keepe this thy
ordinance & right vse of thy
Sacrament among vs euer-
more, that this good worke
and diuine ceremonie may
alwaies be a note and badge
of our publike profession,
whereby we are known from
Paganes: and tokens of loue,
confession, and thankfulnes.
Remooue away all abuses &
prophanations of this holie
and sacred Supper, together
with the horrible and idola-
trous adorations inuented
by Sathan and his members,
to the shamefull deforming
of thy godly and goodly in-
stitution

ſtitution, but maintaine, I humblie beſeech thee, the true and vnpolluted vſe therof, till thy pleaſure is to returne [o] in the clouds to judgmẽt with great power & glorie, [p] that it neuer bee out of remembrance. And laſt of al, at our reſurrection from death, appoint vs places in thy heauenlie table, where we may taſte the newe wine in the kingdome of thy Father, [q] abiding with thine elect, [r] Angelles [ſ] and bleſſed Saintes for euermore. Amen.

o 1. Cor. 11. 26.

p Mar. 13 26. Luke. 22 27.

q Mat. 26 29.

r Mar. 13. 20.

ſ Mark. 8. 38.

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